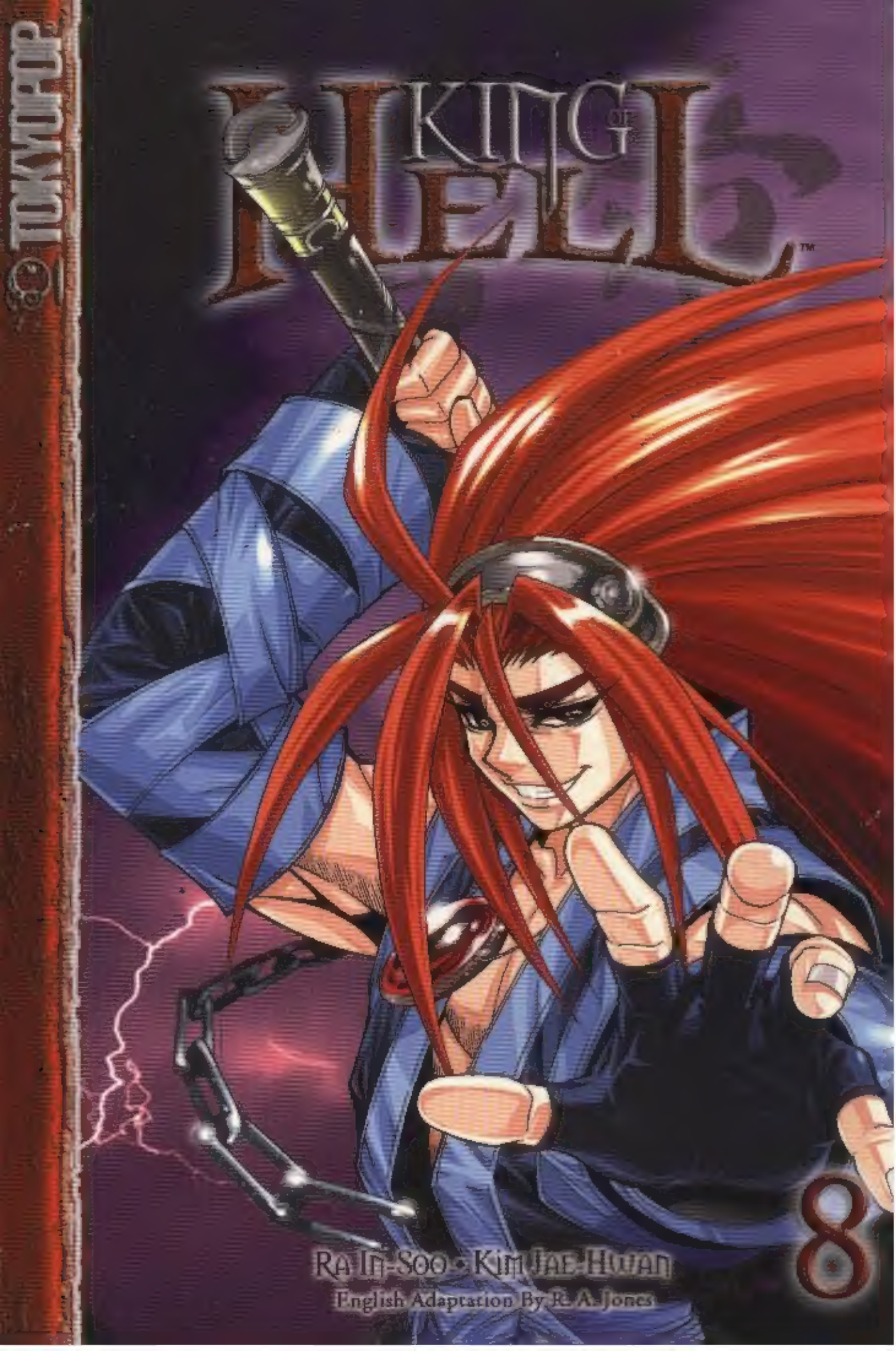
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YOUNG...NOW WOULD BE A GOOD TIME FOR YOU TO SHOW OFF YOUR SKILLS!
HUMPH! PLANNING ON USING ME AS YOUR BEAST OF BURDEN, I SEE!

!
.....
WHAT'S GOING ON? I'M POSITIVE I STRUCK HIM!

MAJEH... WHY IS HE ONLY ATTACKING ME?!
HEH HEH!
...

BECAUSE I'VE CONCEALED MY INNER ENERGY...MY CHI.
THESE ZOMBIES WERE CREATED FROM CORPSES--SO THEY CAN'T SEE, HEAR OR SMELL.
HIDE YOUR CHI!
AS LONG AS YOU HIDE YOUR ENERGY, THESE MONSTERS ARE BLIND AS BABY MICE!

FOR A CALLOW BOY, YOU'RE PRETTY SMART!

HEH HEH...! THANKS FOR THE COMPLIMENT, ONE-EYE! I'VE PLAYED WITH THESE TYPES BEFORE...

FOOL!
HIDING YOUR ENERGY IS USELESS--FOR WE HAVE THE POWER TO CONTROL THEIR EVERY MOVE!

HAHAHA! YOU'RE THE ONLY FOOL HERE! EVEN UNDER YOUR CONTROL, THEY'RE STILL ONLY ZOMBIES!
LET'S SEE IF THAT MOUTH OF YOURS IS STILL FLAPPING A FEW MINUTES FROM NOW!

IF THIS IS THE BEST YOU CAN MUSTER, I'M PRETTY CONFIDENT THAT MY BODY AND MY LIPS WILL BOTH REMAIN INTACT
WATCH CAREFULLY, YOUNG!
MANEUVER NUMBER ONE!

BREAK THEIR SPINES!
!

MANEUVER
NUMBER TWO!

BREAK THEIR KNEES!
HMM...
ONCE THEY'RE UNABLE TO STAND, THEY'RE NO MORE DANGEROUS THAN PUPPETS WITH CUT STRINGS!

MANEUVER NUMBER THREE!
DISMEMBER THEM USING SWORD ENERGY!
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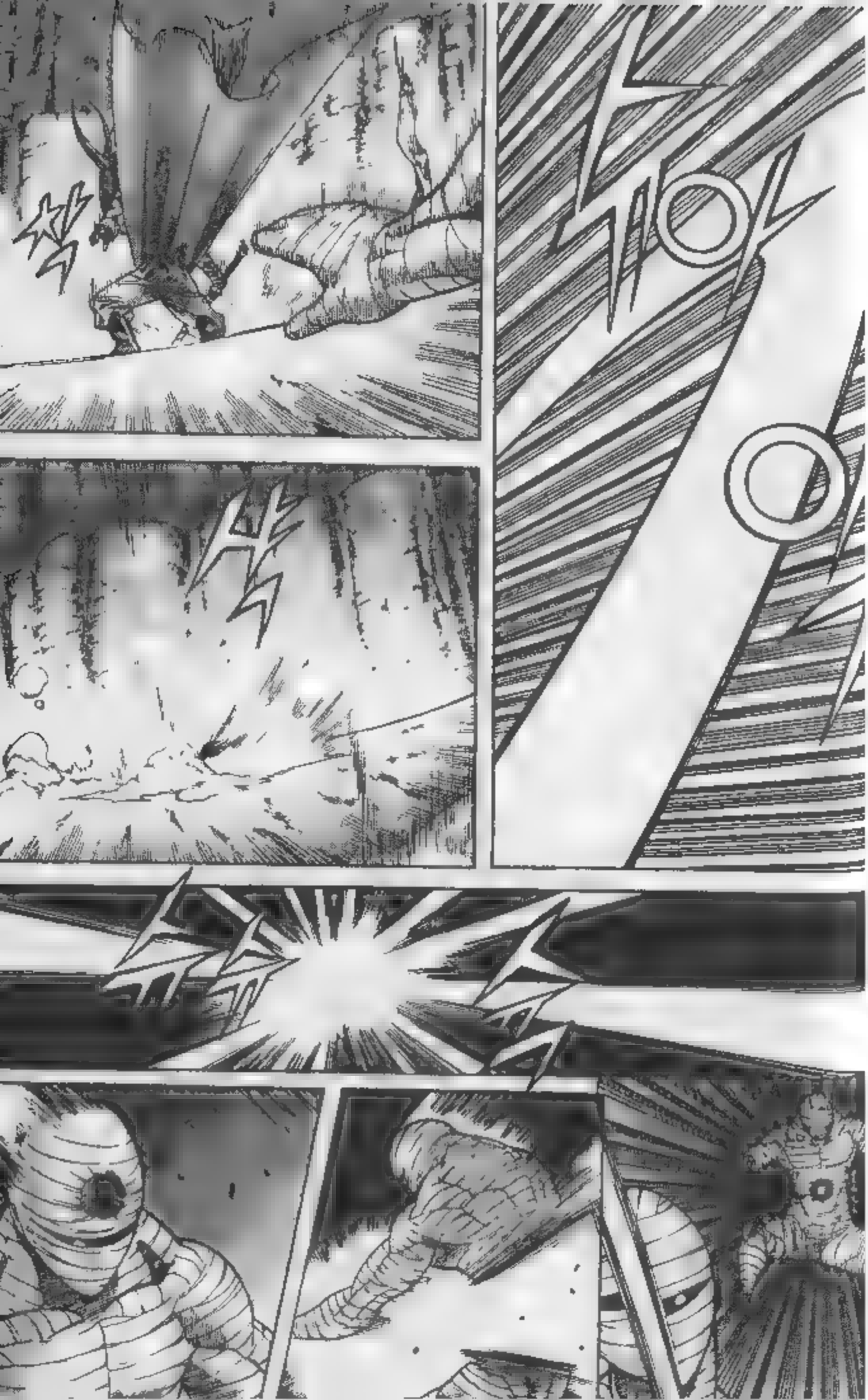

SWORD ENERGY. I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF THAT MYSELF, MAJEH!

I MISTOOK YOU FOR AN INEXPERIENCED BOY, BUT I SEE NOW THAT YOU'RE QUITE ACCOMPLISHED. EVEN ABLE TO USE SWORD ENERGY!
FINALLY FIGURED THAT OUT, DID YOU, YOU ONE-EYED IDIOT?!
...
GRRRRR..!

YE-ES, I FINALLY FIGURED IT OUT...
MY UNDEAD MINIONS WERE NO MATCH FOR YOU, BOY...
...BUT IT'S NOT OVER YET!
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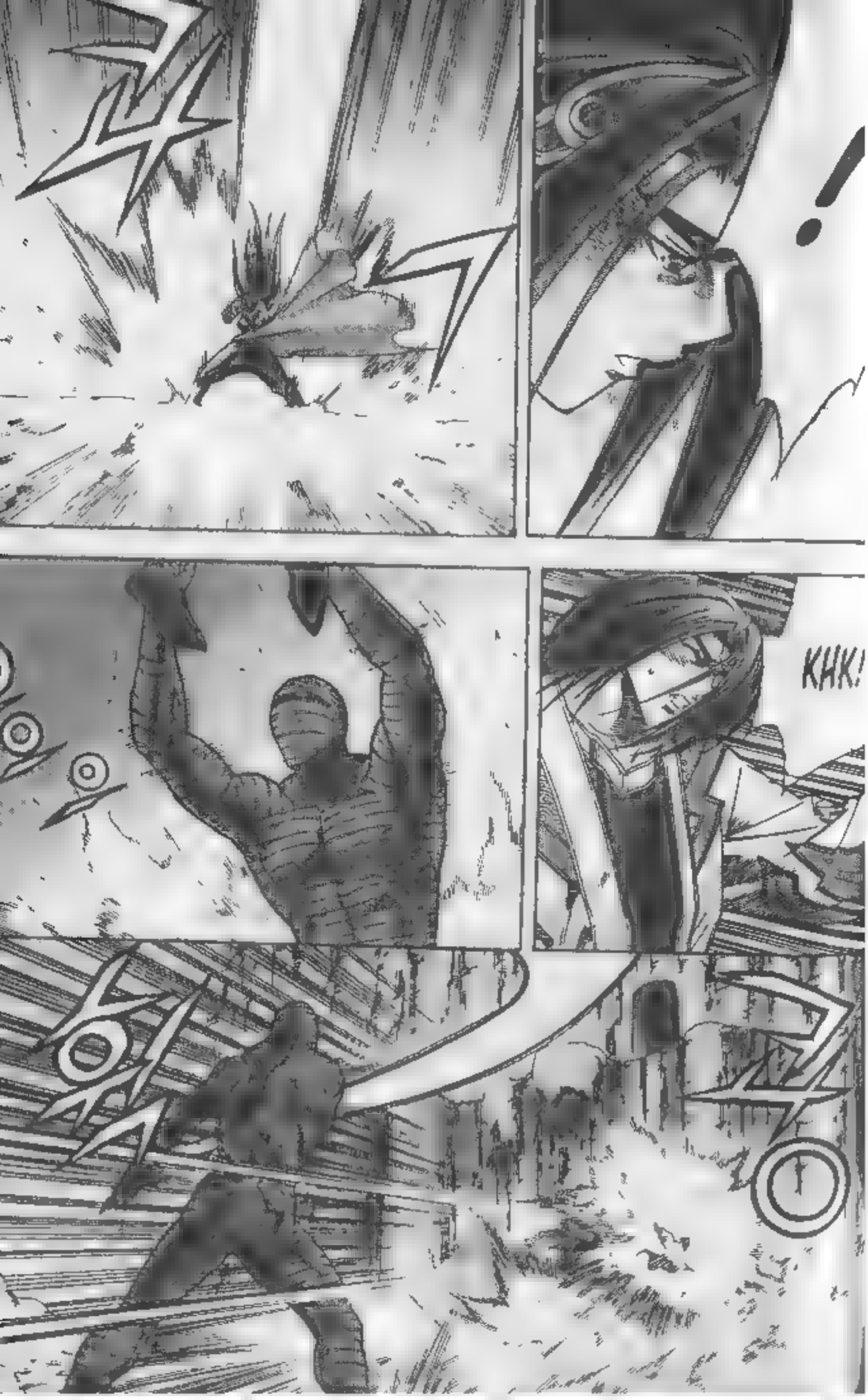
WHAT NEXT?

HIS BLANK EYE!!
...
HEE HEE HEE!

KILL THEM!

HA!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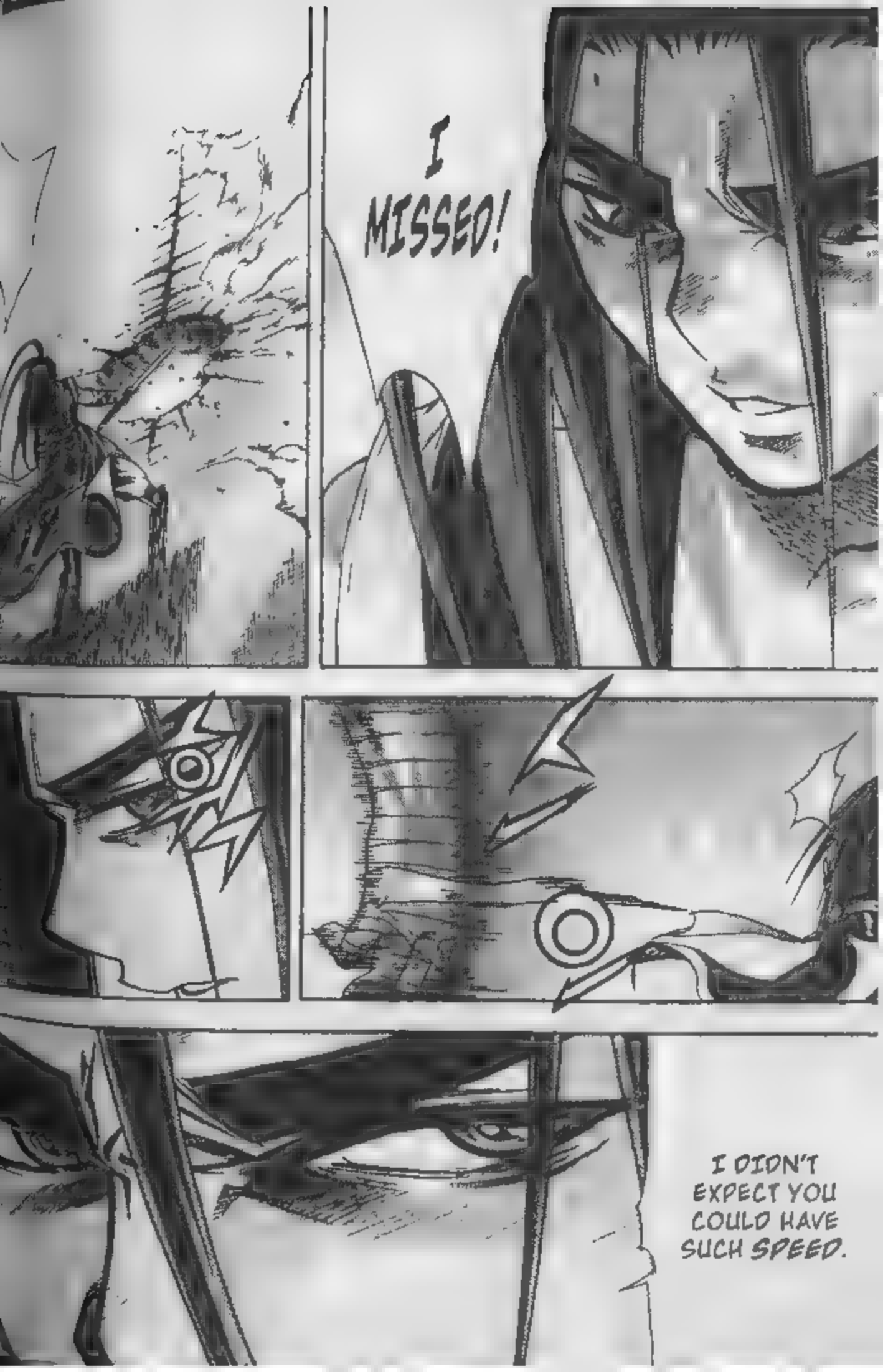
I MISSED!
I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU COULD HAVE SUCH SPEED.

RIIIIP!
HUMPH! I GUESS I DIDN'T COMPLETELY MISS!
NO... IT CAN'T BE HIM!

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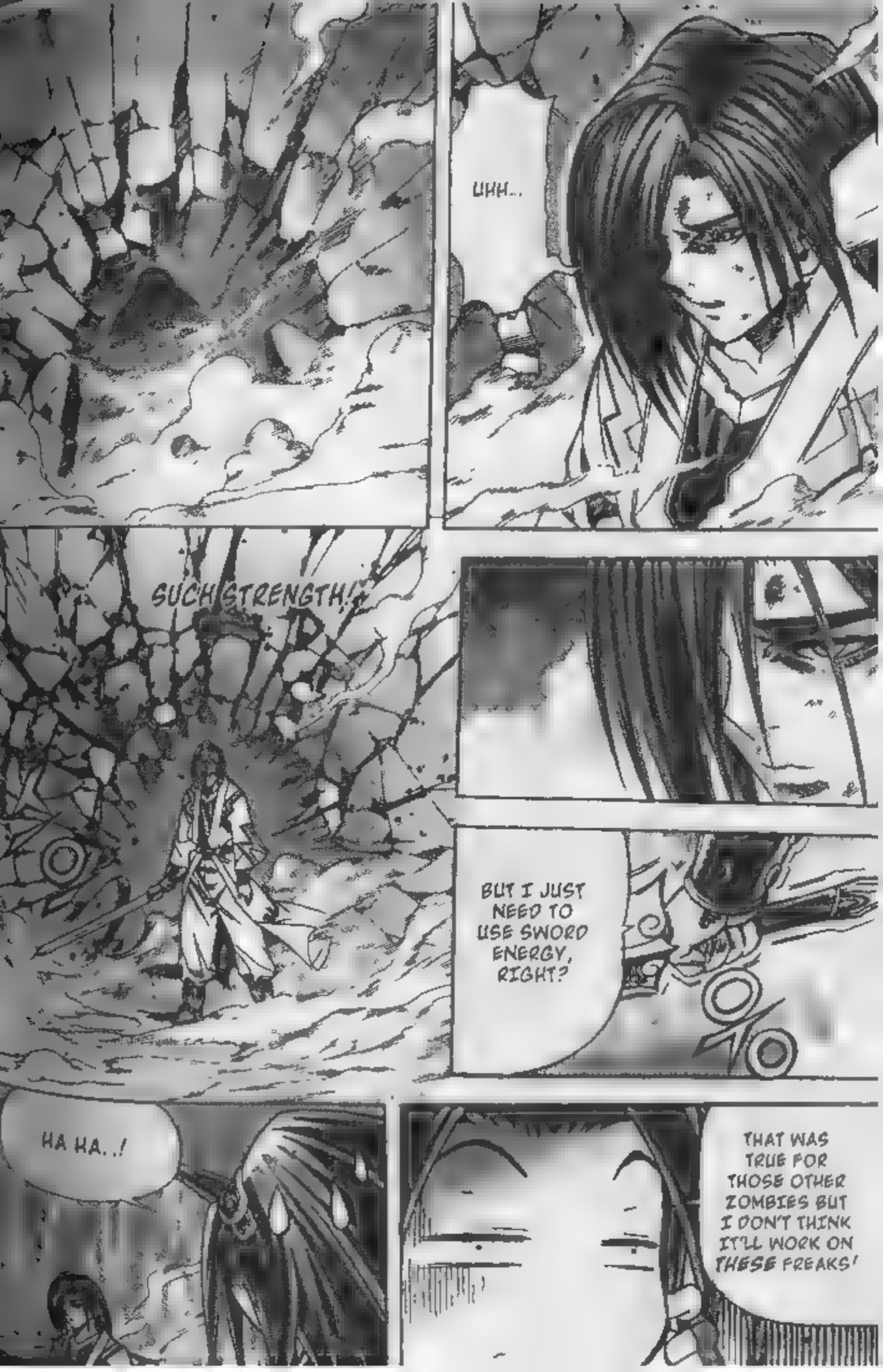
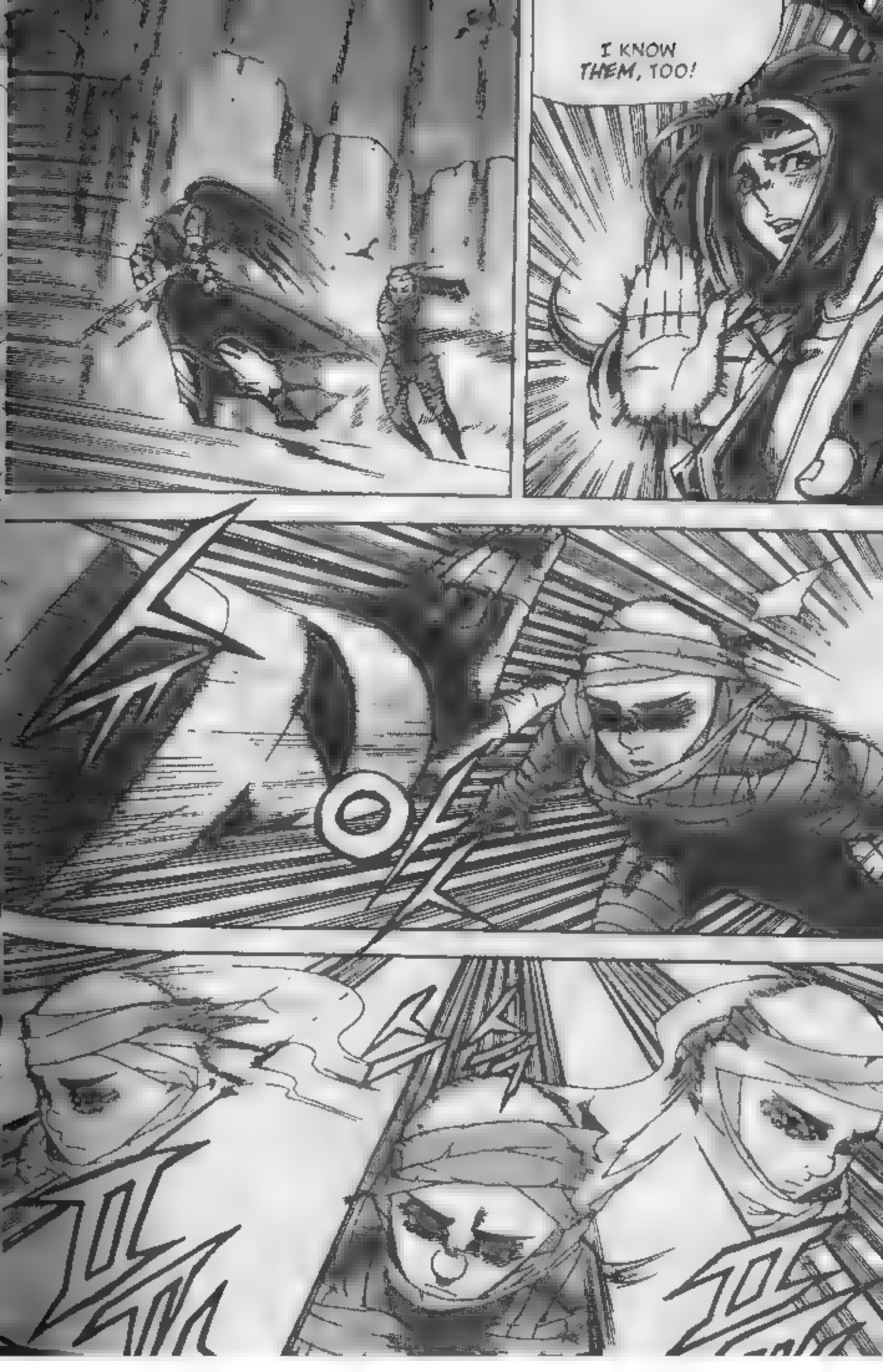
IT'S DOHAK!
HEE HEE! KILL HIM!
K-K-KILL HIIIIM !


UHH...
SUCH STRENGTH!
BUT I JUST NEED TO USE SWORD ENERGY, RIGHT?
HA HA..!
THAT WAS TRUE FOR THOSE OTHER ZOMBIES BUT I DON'T THINK IT'LL WORK ON THESE FREAKS!


I KNOW
THEM, TOO!

BAEK BO SHIN GWON! STOP!
BWAHAHAHAHA!!
UNLIKE THOSE EARLIER DRONES, YOU'LL FIND THAT THESE TWO ARE VERY CAPABLE!
THEY ARE BLOOD-CRAVING, KILLING MACHINES WHO HAVE RETAINED THEIR FIGHTING ABILITIES FROM WHEN THEY WERE ALIVE!

THESE ARE THE TRUE FIGHTING ZOMBIES OF THE SOO RA HYUR CHUN SECT!
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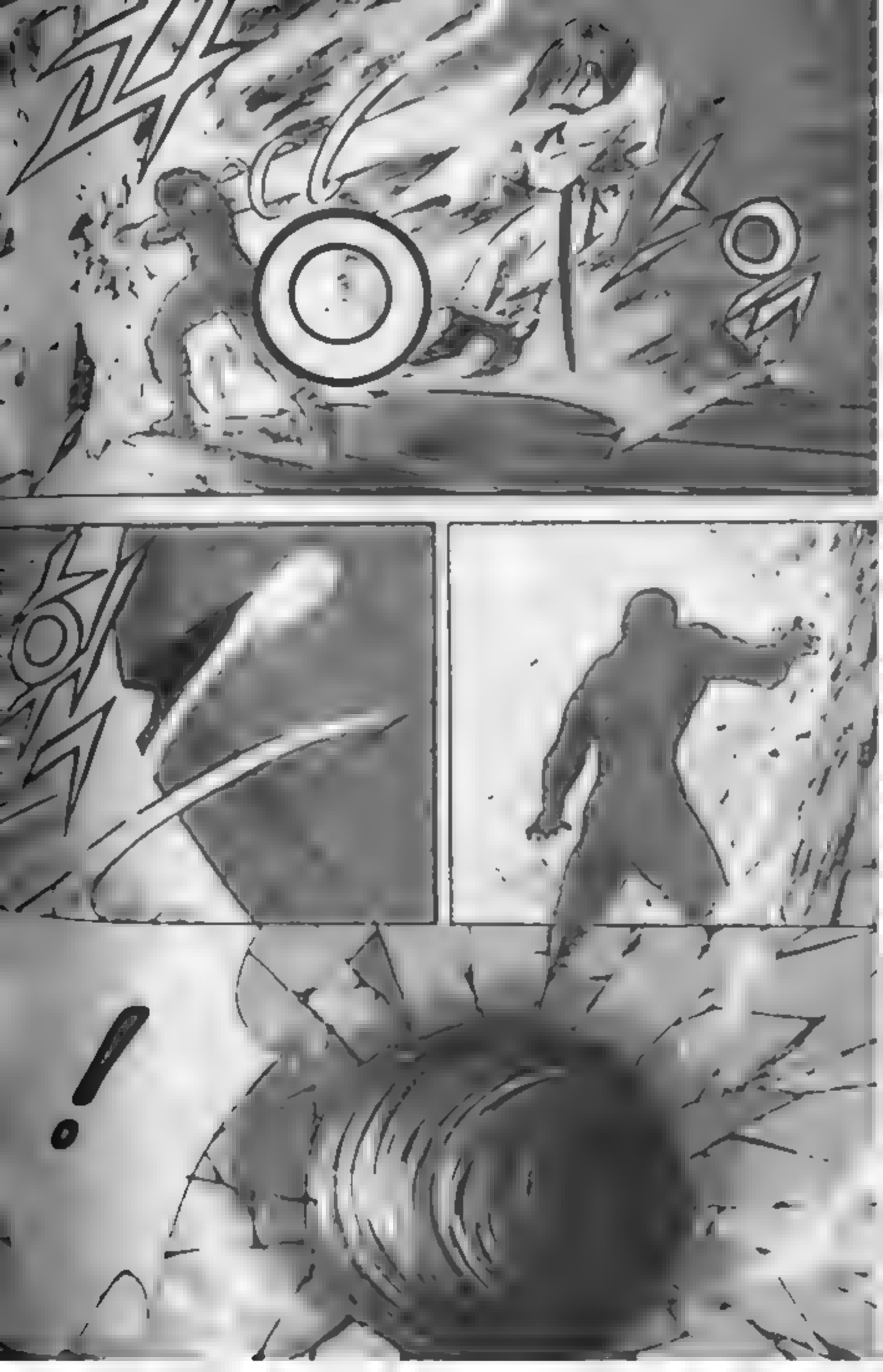

HE USED... THE WIND CLAW BLOW!
MAJEH! I THINK THESE ZOMBIES ARE THE MISSING MARTIAL ARTISTS!
YOU'RE FROM THE GONG DONG SCHOOL, AREN'T YOU?
PFFF! WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG TO FIGURE THAT OUT? LOOK OVER THERE! RECOGNIZE HIM?
IT'S DOHAK, THE SORIM PRODIGY!
THIS IS REALL MAKING ME ANGRY!

HA HA HA! ARE YOU ANGRY BECAUSE YOU FIND YOURSELF POWERLESS?!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH, ONE-EYE!
...
I'M ANGRY... BECAUSE I'LL HAVE TO KILL A BOY I LIKE!

HAR HAR! SUCH INSOLENCE, EVEN 'TIL THE END!
I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU FOUND THIS CAVERN, BUT I GUARANTEE YOU WILL NEVER LEAVE HERE ALIVE!
YO, ASSASSIN! THINK YOU CAN TAKE CARE OF THAT ONE YOURSELF?
I'LL DO MY BEST!
KILL THEM!

K-KILL...
THE-E-EM.

UHK!

GAAA!

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SEE IF YOU CAN SURVIVE THE BURNING LIGHT OF MY SWORD ENERGY, MONSTER!!
KA OH
UU BB BB
BB

!
KK!

THAT SHOULD FINISH YOU-- HUH?!
HE ISN'T HURT?!
HEEHEE!

YOU FOOLS! YOU'RE SADLY MISTAKEN IF YOU THINK YOUR TACTICS WILL WORK ON THESE TWO
YOU'LL FIND THE HIDE OF A SOO RA HYUR CHUN ZOMBIE IS TOUGHER THAN YOUR BLADE!
!

YOU TWO ARE PRETTY STRONG FOR CHILDREN! BUT YOU'LL FIND THAT YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR THE SOO RA HYUR CHUN ZOMBIES!

FORGIVE ME, DOHAK...

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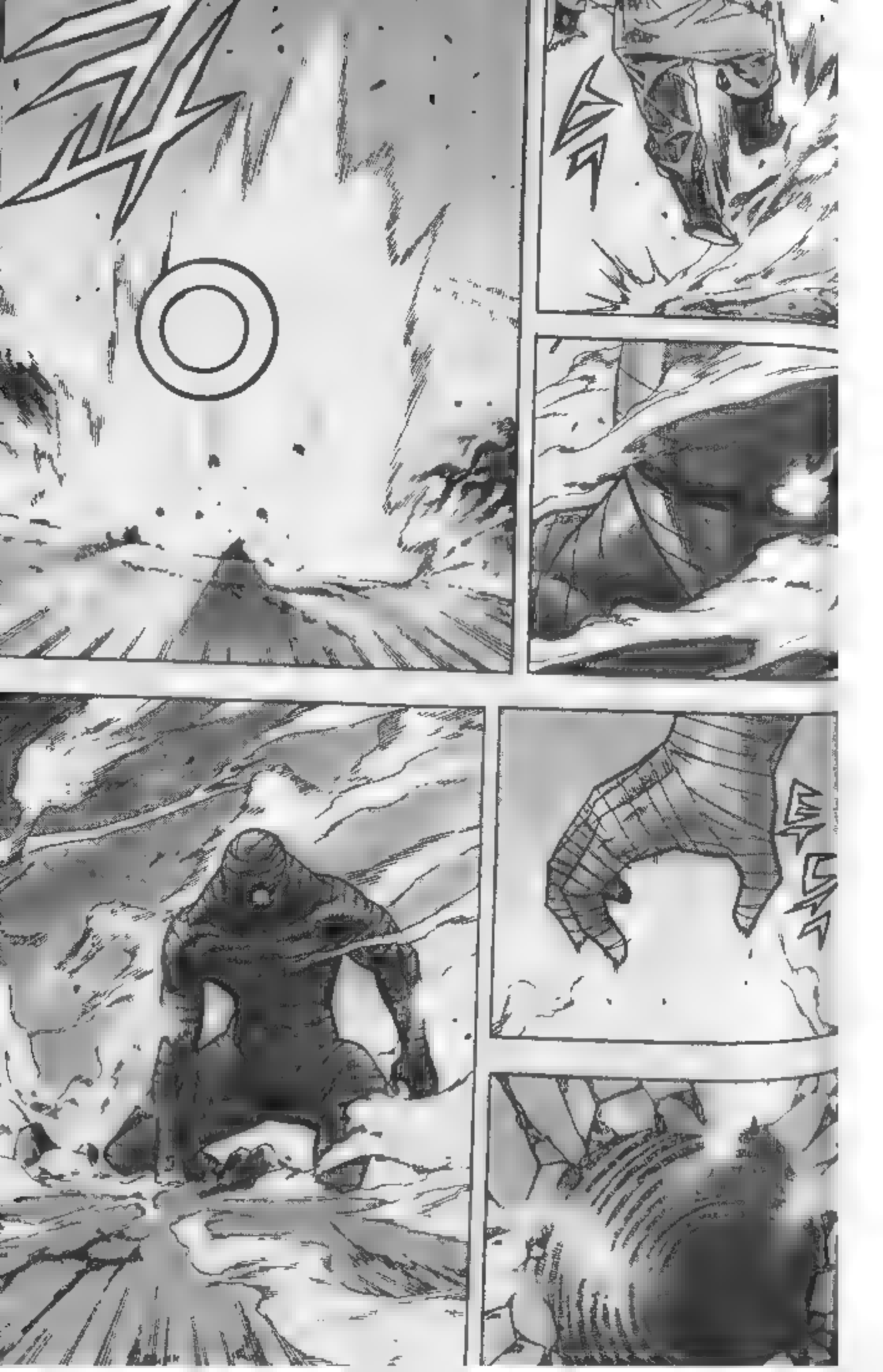
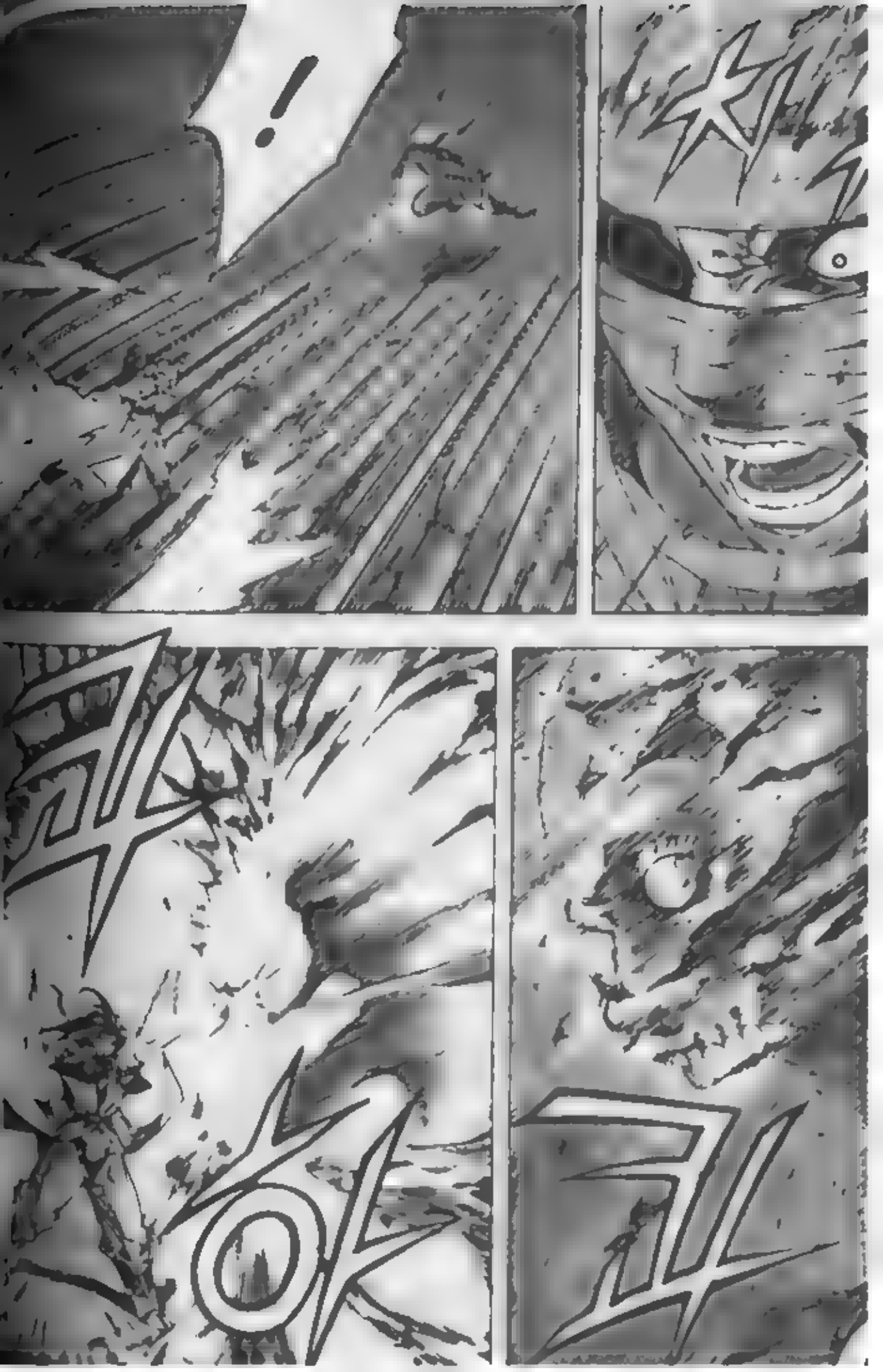
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE!
...

THANK YOU MAJEH
DAMN!



SINCE SWORD ENERGY ALONE SEEMS TO BE INEFFECTIVE
...I ONLY HAVE ONE OTHER OPTION!

GAAA!
FULL EXPLOSIVE FORCE!



TOO BAD
I ONLY HAVE
STRENGTH
TO DO THAT
ONCE

YOUNG'S BETTER THAN I THOUGHT!
NOT EVERYONE CAN RELEASE A SWORD'S FULL FORCE LIKE THAT.
IN SOME WAYS, THE KID REMINDS ME...OF ME!
AS FOR YOU, ONE-EYE
NO!!

WAIT UNTIL I GET MY HANDS ON YOU!
WHO... WHO ARE YOU TWO AFFILIATED WITH?!
SHUT YOUR TRAP! I'LL BE ASKING THE QUESTIONS FROM HERE ON OUT!
...
BAAAH!

HA!
I SUGGEST YOU STAY PUT, OLD MAN!

!
AND DON'T DO ANYTHING STUPID.

AND IF YOU LACKEYS DON'T WANT TO BE HURT...
LEAVE WHILE I'M FEELING MERCIFUL!
AH

GGHHH
FROM THIS MOMENT ON, ONE-EYE, YOU'D BETTER ANSWER ALL MY QUESTIONS TRUTHFULLY. DON'T TRY TO HIDE ANYTHING!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH, BOY! YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET ANYTHING OUT OF ME!

DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT, ONE-EYE?!
HEH HEH HEH!
SEE WHAT ANSWERS YOU CAN GET FROM MY CORPSE!

SEE? IN THE END...
YOU .GOT..
NOTHING ..
...
..OUT .
OF ME

HA!
FOOL! YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ME EVEN IN DEATH!
SAMHUK!

SOON HIS SOUL WILL DEPART HIS BODY.
WHEN IT DOES, SEIZE IT!
AS YOU COMMAND, MAJEH
OBVIOUSLY, YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT A SOUL IS A LOT EASIER FOR ME TO HANDLE, ONE-EYE.
HEE HEE! SOON ... WILL BE REVEALED

KING
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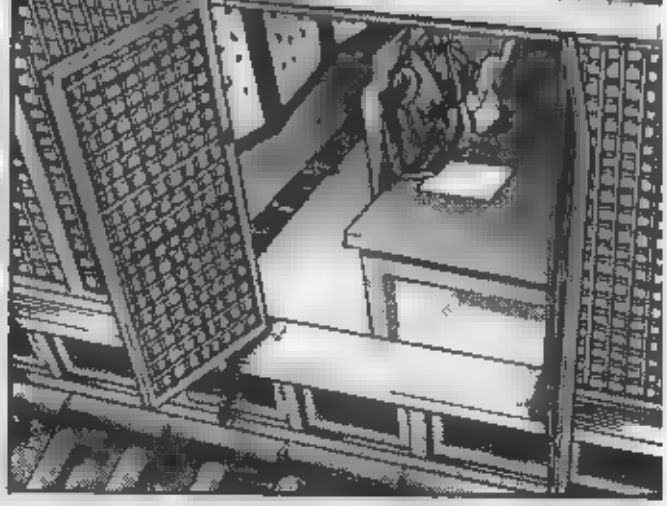
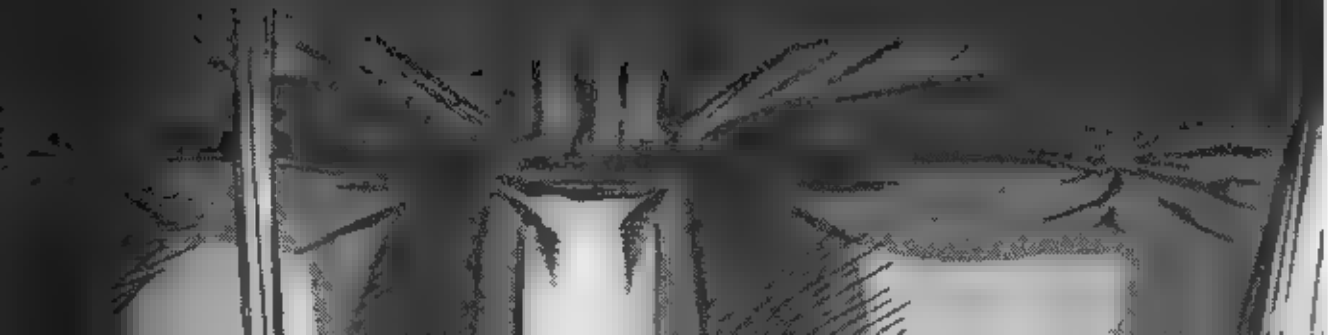
DEPLETING ALL HIS ENERGY LIKE THAT... WHAT AN IDIOT
WHEN I THINK ABOUT HAVING TO CARRY HIM ON MY BACK ALL THE WAY DOWN THE MOUNTAIN...
THE HARDSHIP I HAD TO ENDURE!
AH, WELL I WONDER IF MASTER MO YOUNG HAS RECEIVED MY *REPORT* YET?



THE MISSING MARTIAL ARTISTS HAVE BEEN LOCATED. THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE KIDNAPPINGS HAVE TRANSFORMED THE MARTIAL ARTISTS INTO MURDEROUS ZOMBIES AND INTEND TO USE THEM TO ATTACK EACH OF THE MARTIAL ARTS SECTS. IN THIS MANNER, THEY HOPE TO INCITE A GREAT WAR BETWEEN THE SECTS. ONCE THE MARTIAL ARTS BANDS HAVE WEAKENED EACH OTHER, THE GROUP RESPONSIBLE WILL SWOOP DOWN AND SUBJUGATE THEM ALL.



THE FORCE BEHIND THIS PLOT IS CALLED...

..."SA GOK"!

A...A TERRIBLE THING HAS OCCURRED, SIRE! THE BLACK SECTS... LAST NIGHT THEY ATTACKED THE NINTH DIVISION!

A GREAT WAR BETWEEN THE SECTS...
IT HAS ALREADY BEGUN
INFORM ALL THE SCHOOLS THAT WE WILL HOLD AN EMERGENCY MEETING IMMEDIATELY!
YES, SIRE! AS YOU COMMAND!

HMM IS THIS TRUE?!

IT'S TRUE, SIRE! LAST NIGHT, THE "WHITES"...
...ATTACKED ONE OF OUR GROUPS!
THIS IS A DELIBERATE PROVOCATION!
THAT'S RIGHT SIRE! WE CAN'T LET THOSE RATS GET AWAY WITH
HMM...
...LET'S FIRST CALL FOR AN EMERGENCY MEETING. INFORM ALL THE SCHOOLS!
YES SIRE

UHHNN.
I SEE YOU'VE FINALLY COME TO YOUR SENSES, YOUNG.
UHK!
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED! AFTER YOU FAINTED, I HAD TO CARRY YOU DOWN THE MOUNTAIN ON MY BACK! DO YOU REALIZE WHAT I WENT THROUGH?
WHAT.. WHAT HAPPENED?

THAT'S NO
WHAT I W
ASKING
...
WHAT HAPPENED
WHILE I WAS OUT?

IMPOSSIBLE! DID YOU SAY "SA GOK"?
...
EXACTLY WHAT IS THE SA GOK?!
I HEARD THAT THE SA GOK DISAPPEARED FIFTY YEARS AGO!
FIFTY YEARS AGO, THEY ALMOST BROUGHT DOWN THE ENTIRE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD!

THEY USED MYSTERIOUS AND EVIL METHODS AGAINST NUMEROUS GROUPS
ENRAGED, THE VARIOUS SECTS JOINED TOGETHER TO SYSTEMATICALLY ERASE ALL THE SA GOK FROM THE WORLD
NOT ONE SURVIVED. NOT A SINGLE SHADOW WAS LEFT ALIVE.
HOWEVER, THE HORRIBLE MEMORIES OF WHAT THE SA GOK HAD DONE COULD NEVER BE ERASED!

PEOPLE STILL REMEMBER AND TREMBLE IN FEAR OF THE SA GOK'S POWERFUL AND EVIL TACTICS
...
AND TO THINK THAT THE SA GOK MAY HAVE RETURNED THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THEY WILL WANT REVENGE ON ALL THE MARTIAL ARTS SECTS!
I BELIEVE THEY'VE ALREADY SET THAT PLAN INTO MOTION!

WHAT PLAN?
A GREAT WAR!
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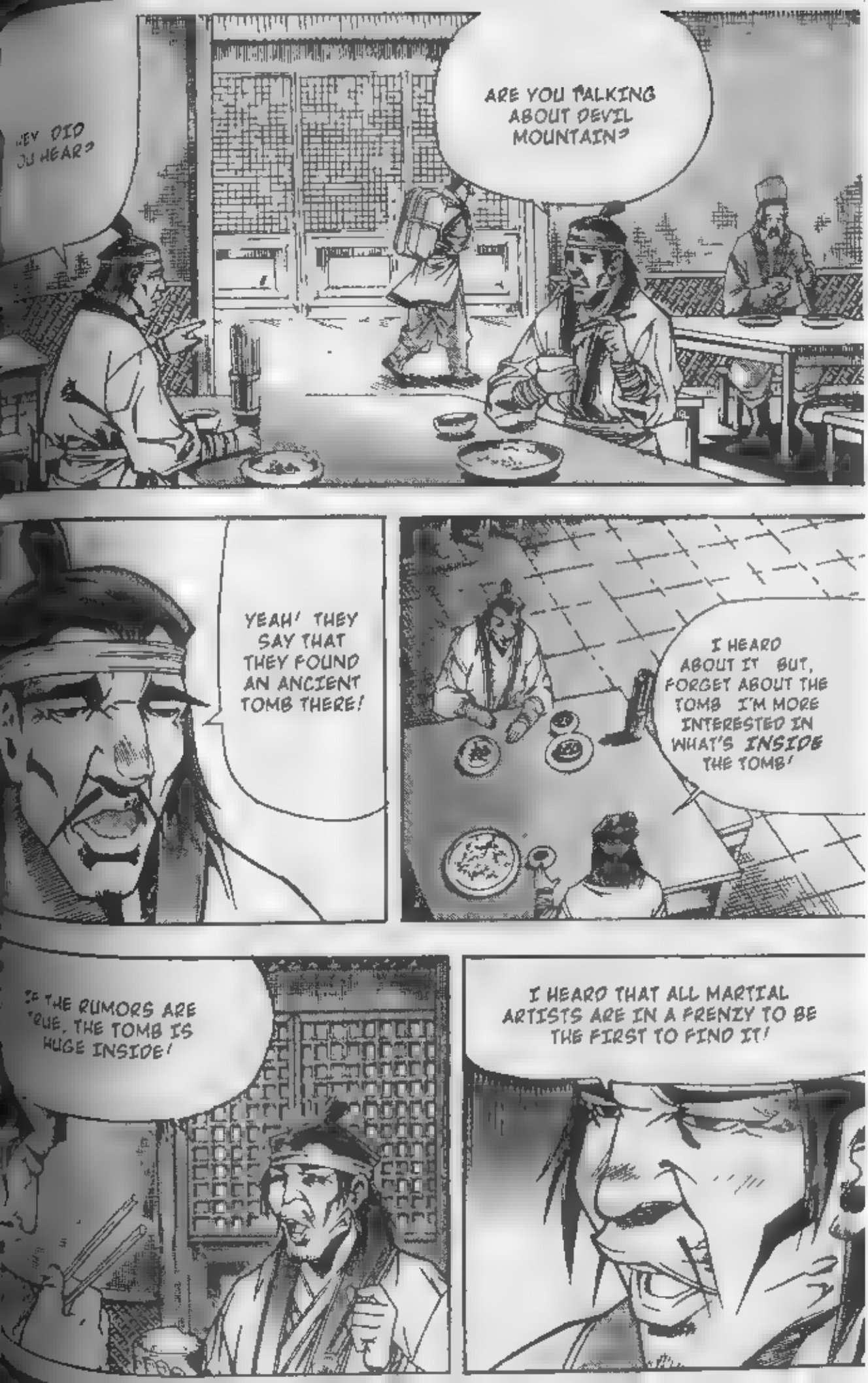
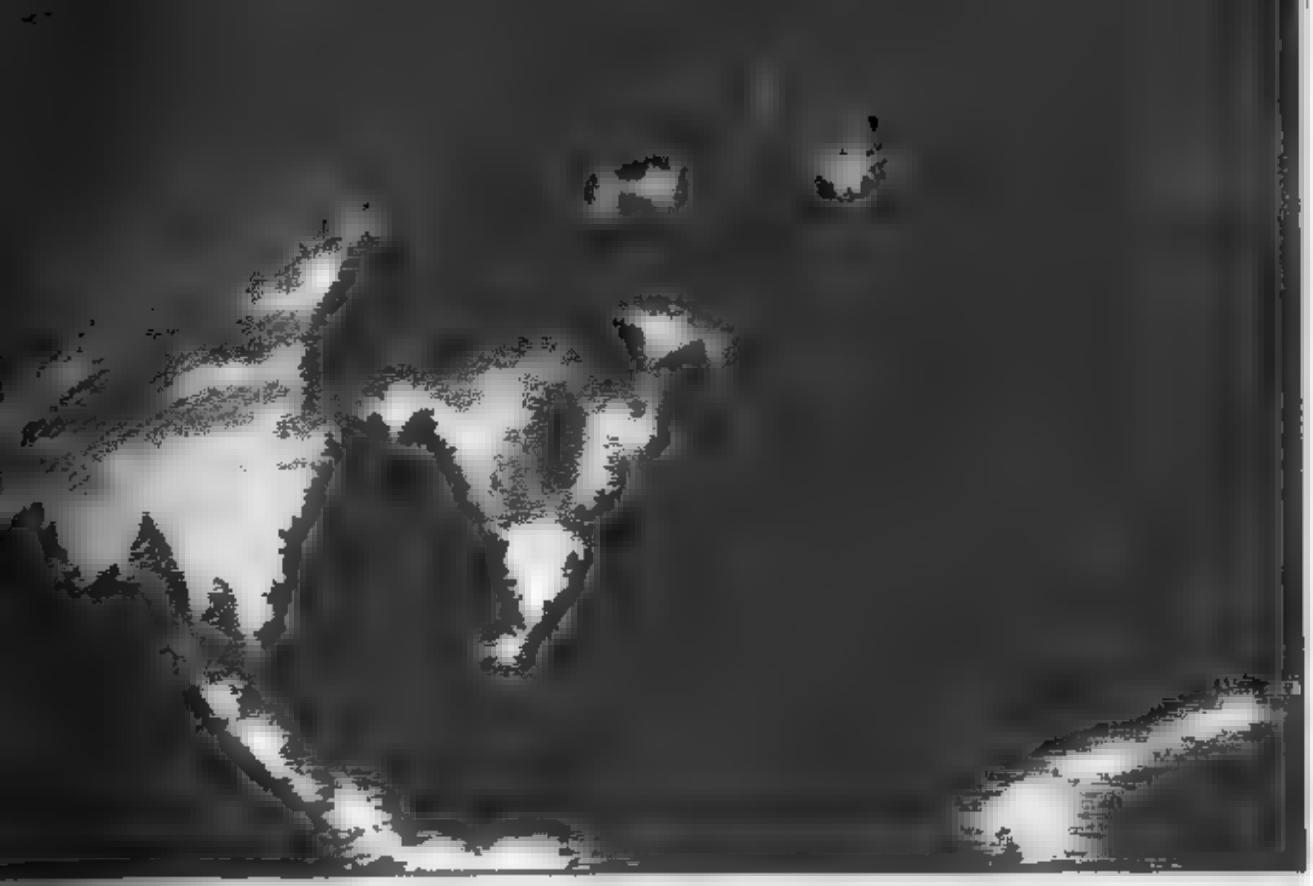
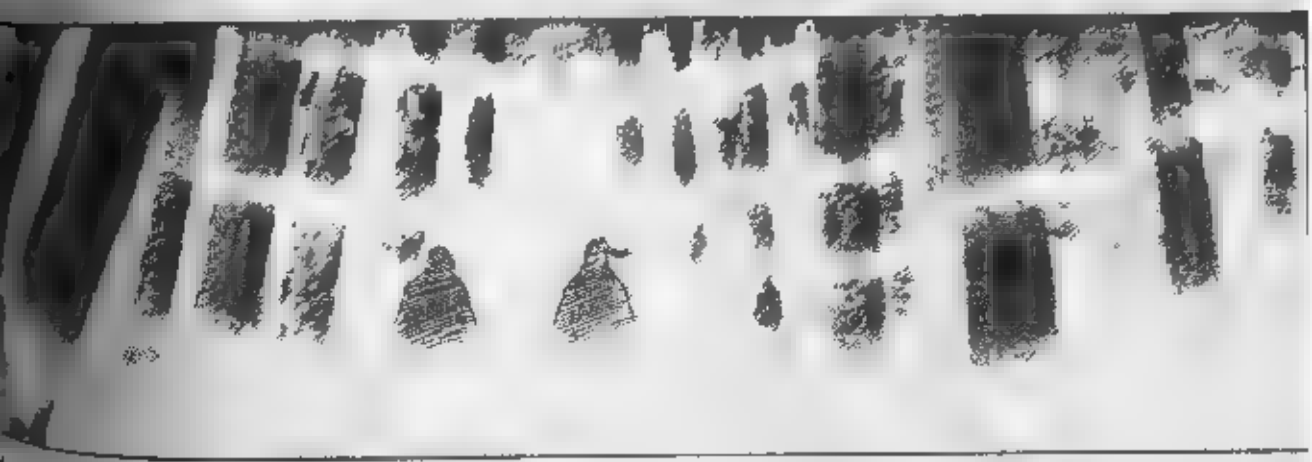

HEY DID YOU HEAR?
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT DEVIL MOUNTAIN?
YEAH! THEY SAY THAT THEY FOUND AN ANCIENT TOMB THERE!
I HEARD ABOUT IT BUT, FORGET ABOUT THE TOMB I'M MORE INTERESTED IN WHAT'S INSIDE THE TOMB!
IF THE RUMORS ARE TRUE, THE TOMB IS HUGE INSIDE!
I HEARD THAT ALL MARTIAL ARTISTS ARE IN A FRENZY TO BE THE FIRST TO FIND IT!

WELL, THEN, MAYBE WE SHOULD GO LOOK FOR IT, TOO!
MAN, FORGET ABOUT IT!
WHY NOT? YOU NEVER KNOW WE MIGHT EVEN FIND SOME TREASURE
FOOL, ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND? THERE IS NO WAY THAT ORDINARY CITIZENS WILL EVEN BE ABLE TO GET NEAR IT WITHOUT GETTING KILLED BY TREASURE-HUNGRY MARTIAL ARTISTS!
WELL, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT JEEZ, AND I WAS JUST GETTING MY HOPES UP.
LET'S STOP DREAMING OF SUCH NONSENSE AND JUST EAT OUR FOOD.

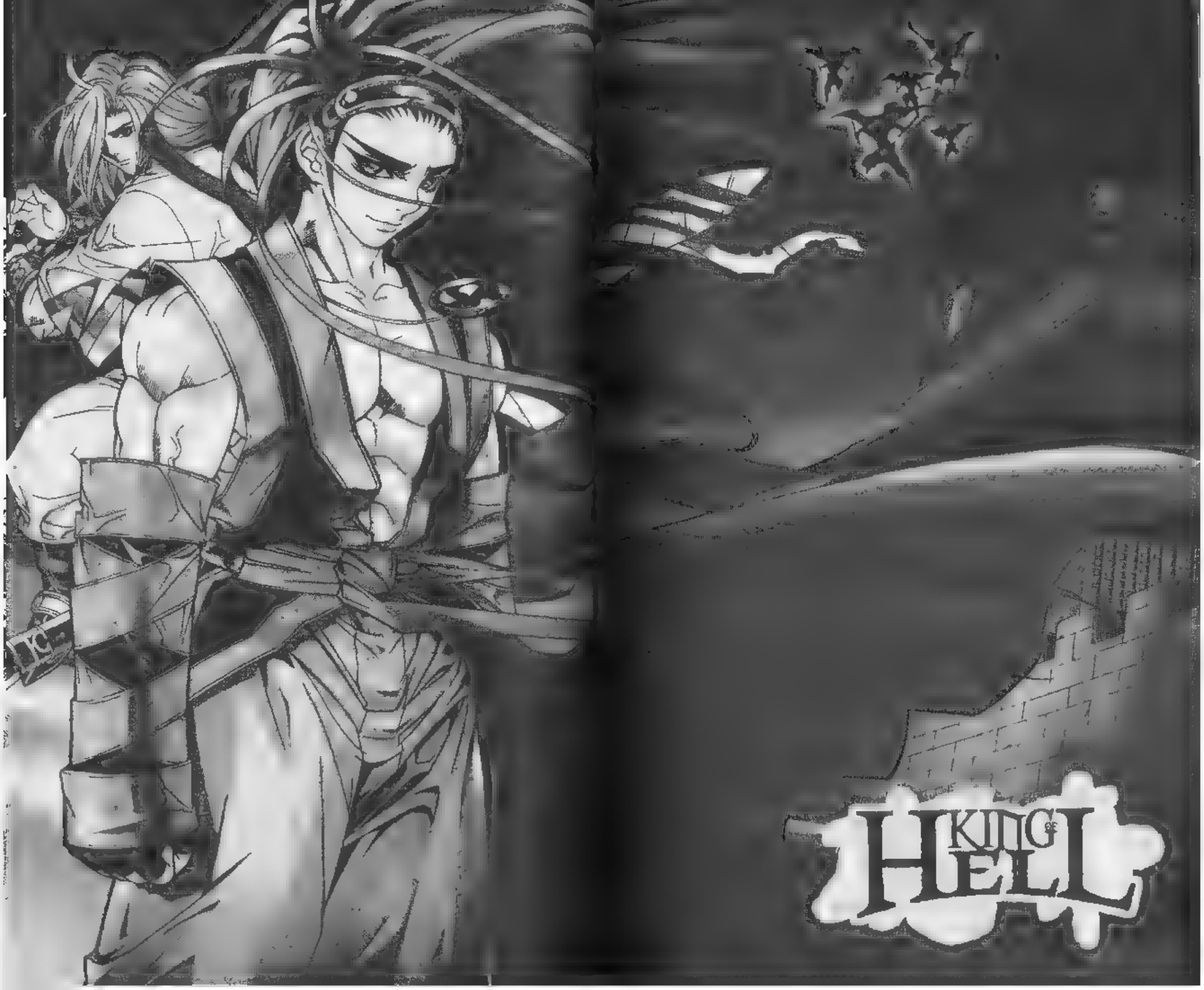
YOU HEARD THAT, RIGHT?
HOW COULD I NOT?
HMM . A TOMB, HUH?
YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY BE THINKING OF GOING THERE?
IF YOU'RE A TRUE MARTIAL ARTIST, YOU MUST DISPLAY A SENSE OF ADVENTURE AND A LOVE FOR QUESTS!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? OF COURSE I'M GOING!
WHAT ABOUT THE MARTIAL ARTS LEADER'S REQUEST?

AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, I'VE DONE EVERYTHING MO YOUNG REQUESTED!
...
SINCE I'VE REPORTED THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE MISSING MARTIAL ARTISTS, I'VE DONE MY JOB.
SO, THEN...
...SHALL WE BEGIN OUR QUEST FOR THE TOMB?!





DAMMIT! I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING BECAUSE OF THIS FOG!
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I'M BEGINNING TO REGRET COMING HERE!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?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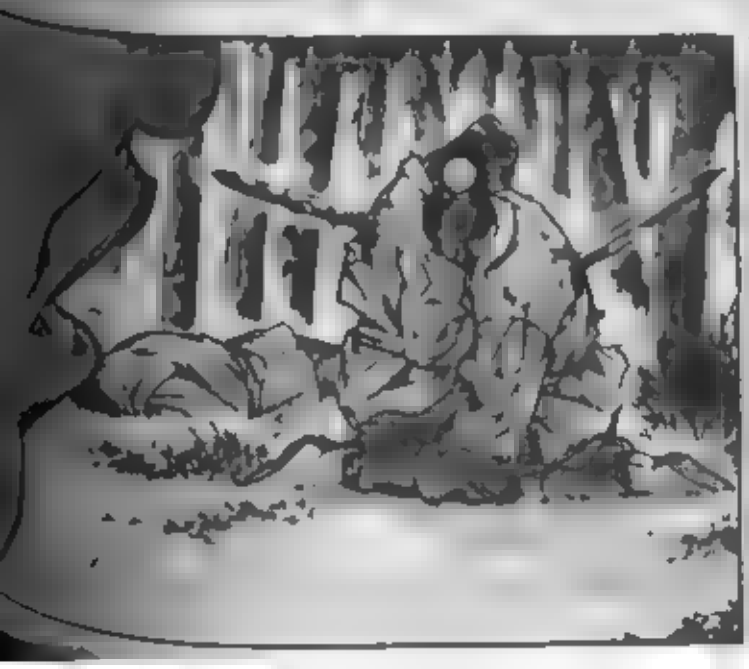
DON'T YOU KNOW THAT THIS MOUNTAIN, DEVIL MOUNTAIN, IS ONE OF THE THREE FORBIDDEN LANDS?!
RUMORS SAY THAT EV A MARTIAL ARTIST W GO CRAZY IF HE STA HERE TOO LONG
HA HA! DON" TELL ME YOU ACTUALLY BELIEVE THA NONSENSE
FORGET THOSE FAIRY TALES WHAT WE REALLY NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ARE OTHER MARTIAL ARTISTS
YOU'RE YOU'RE RIGHT
UNDERSTAND?

FOR WORKING WARRIORS LIKE US A MARTIAL ARTIST HUNGRY FOR TREASURE IS MORE DANGEROUS THAN ANYTHING
THAT'S TRUE WE SHOULD BE ON OUR GUARD IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL WE MIGHT BE IN DANGER OF BECOMING LIKE TWO FLIES ON A FLY SWATTER!
WHAT'S THIS? IS IT BEGINNING TO RAIN?
BLOOD!

...
..LOOK..UP!
HUH?
LOOK UP!

WHAT THE OEVIL HAPPENED HERE?!



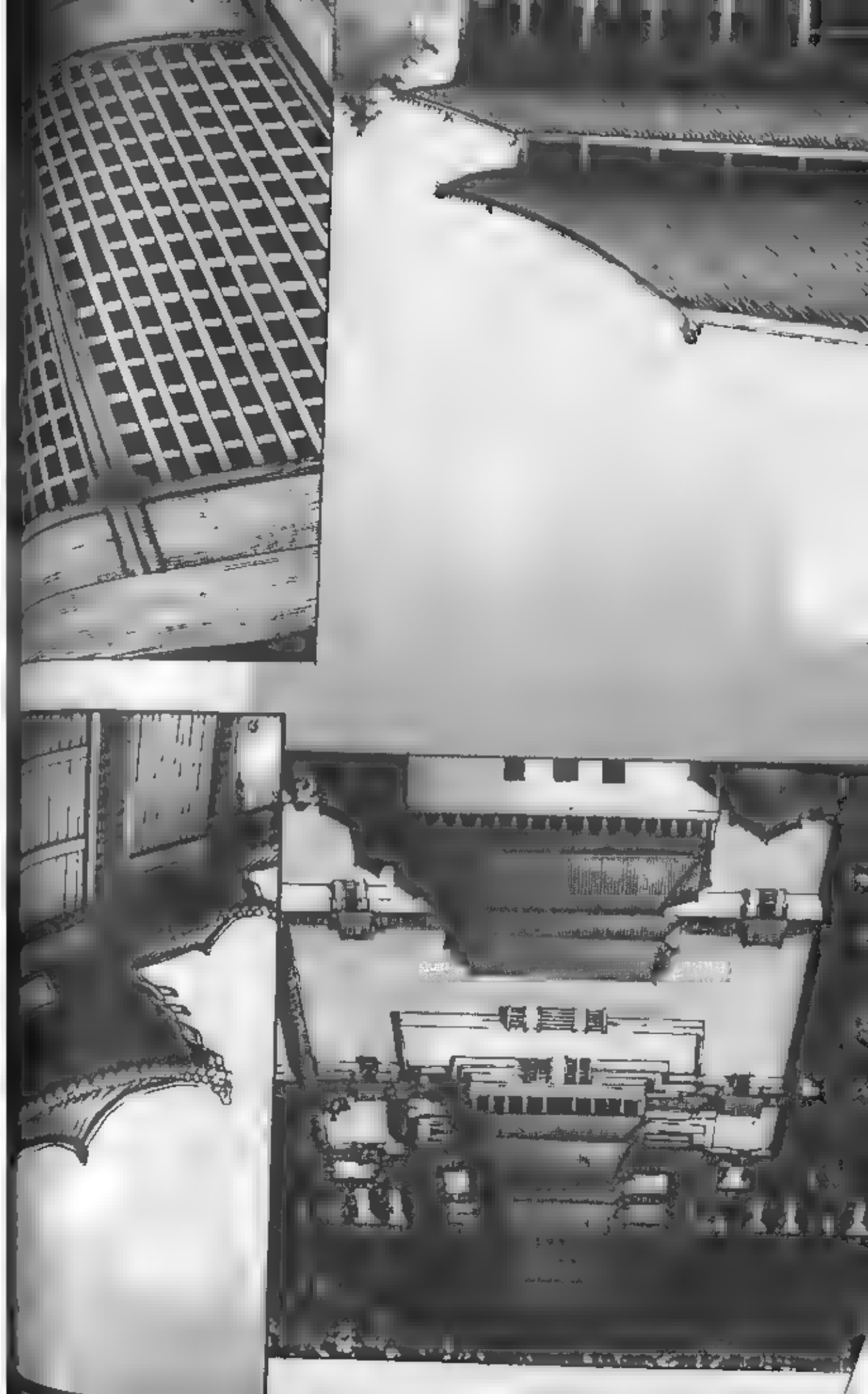
IMPOSSIBLE... IT LOOKS AS IF THEY FOUGHT AMONGST... THEMSELVES?
BUT.. WHY...?
H-HEY LOOK AT THOSE GUYS

WHAT JUST S NG, ACEY?
ZZT
BWA HA HA HA HA HA !!!

IS THAT DEVIL MOUNTAIN?
IT'S BEEN SAID THAT THERE IS FOG YEAR ROUND, DISCOURAGING TRAVELERS FROM SETTING FOOT ON IT I GUESS THAT'S TRUE
...

...
SAMHUK! THE MORE I LOOK AT IT, THE MORE I'M THINKING THAT IT'S A DOORWAY!
I FEEL THE BREEZE OF EVIL ENERGY BLOWING ALL THE WAY DOWN HERE
AM I RIGHT?
YOU ARE CORRECT! IT DEFINITELY APPEARS TO BE A DOOR!
HOO HOO! THIS IS GETTING MORE INTERESTING BY THE MINUTE!
WOW!

WOW!
I CAN FINALLY BREATHE AGAIN, CHUNG POONG.
MAJEH, YOU JERK! WHEN I GET MY HANDS ON YOU, YOU'RE GONNA GET IT!
YEAH!



YOU'VE ALL TRAVELED LONG DISTANCES TO COME HERE.
AND THE REASON I HAVE REQUESTED YOUR PRESENCE...
...IS THAT AN URGENT AND IMPORTANT MATTER REQUIRES OUR ATTENTION!
WHAT COULD BE SO IMPORTANT THAT YOU FELT COMPELLED TO SEND US SUCH A SUMMONS?

ALL OF YOU AT THIS TABLE HAD DISCIPLES WHO ENTERED THE RECENT MARTIAL ARTS COMPETITION. WHAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW IS THAT ALMOST ALL OF THEM HAVE NOW DISAPPEARED!
IMPOSSIBLE!
YOU'RE TELLING US THOSE MEN HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO ZOMBIES AND ARE BEING USED TO ATTACK US?.

IF OUR LIVING SONS HAVE BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO UNLIVING MONSTERS... SOMEONE MUST PAY!
CALM DOWN. FIRST WE MUST LEARN IF THIS STORY IS TRUE!
YES. JUST WHERE DID YOU HEAR ALL THIS FOOLISHNESS, MARTIAL ARTS LEADER MO YOUNG?
...
I ENLISTED A PARTICIPANT IN THE RECENT COMPETITION-- AN EXCEPTIONAL LAD NAMED MAJEH-- TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER!

MAJEH?
MA JEH?
EXCUSE ME, BUT...TO WHICH SECT IS THIS MAJEH AFFILIATED?
I WILL ANSWER THAT QUESTION!
WE ARE UNABLE T
DETERMINE EITH
HIS HISTORY OR H
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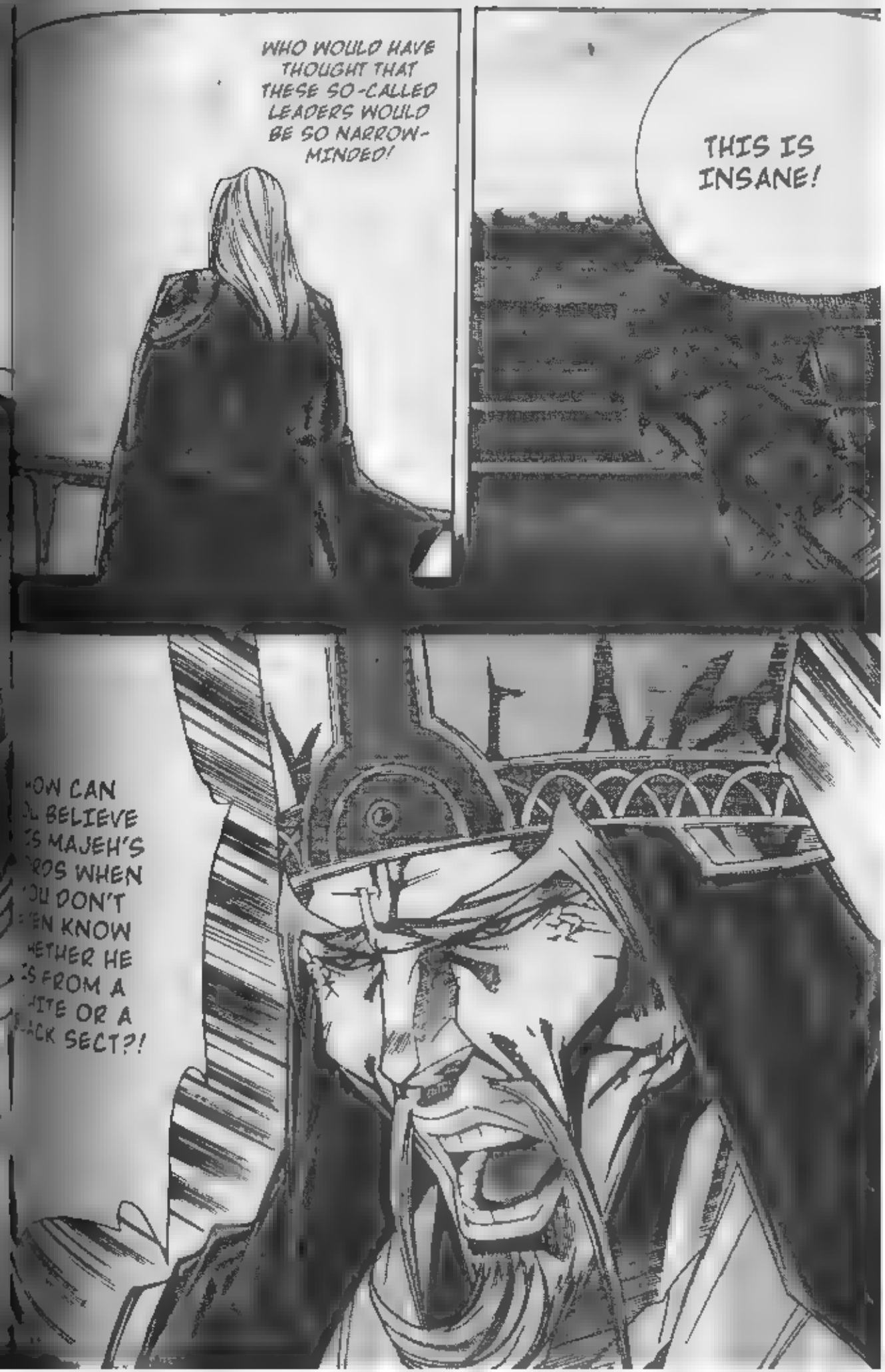
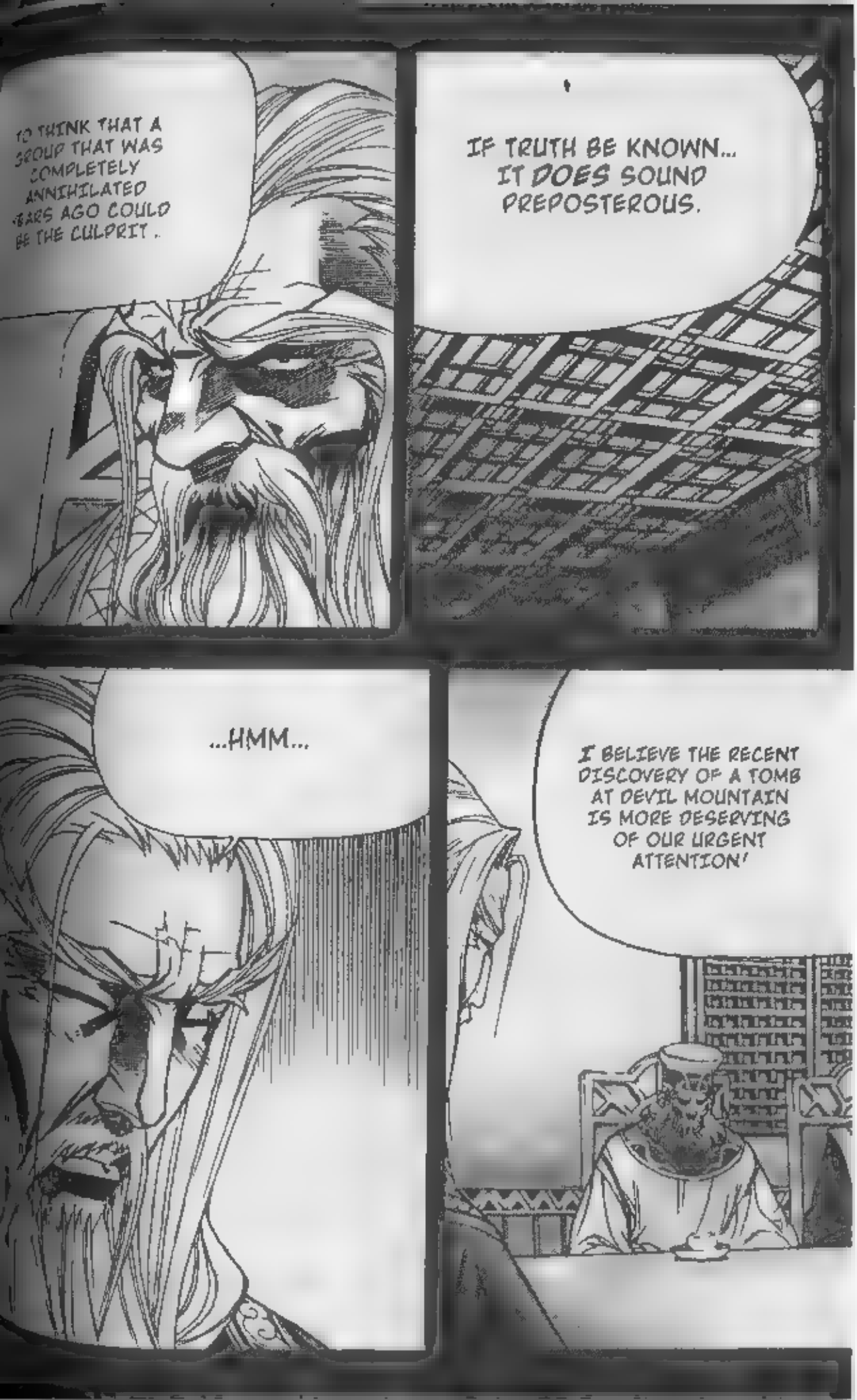
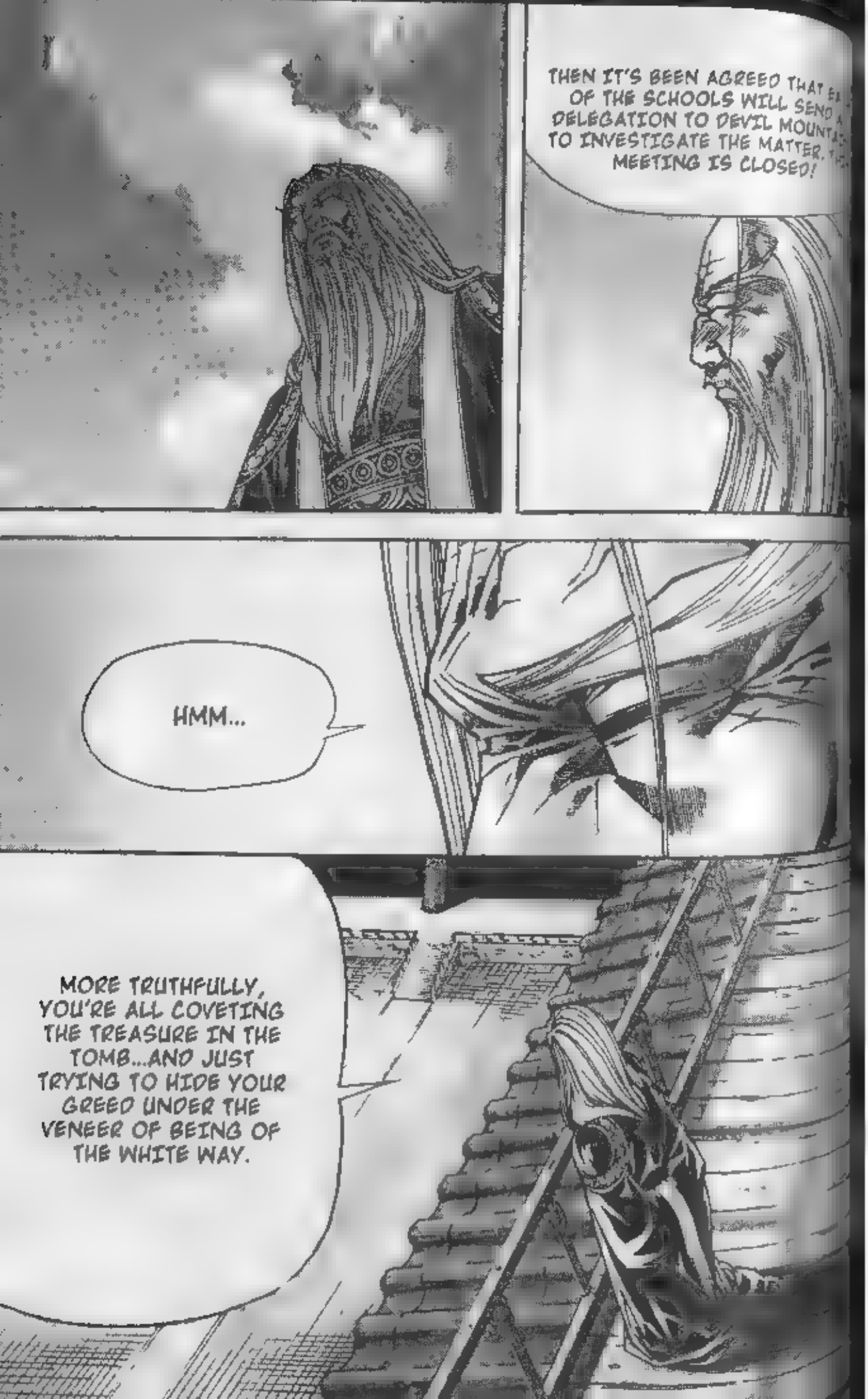
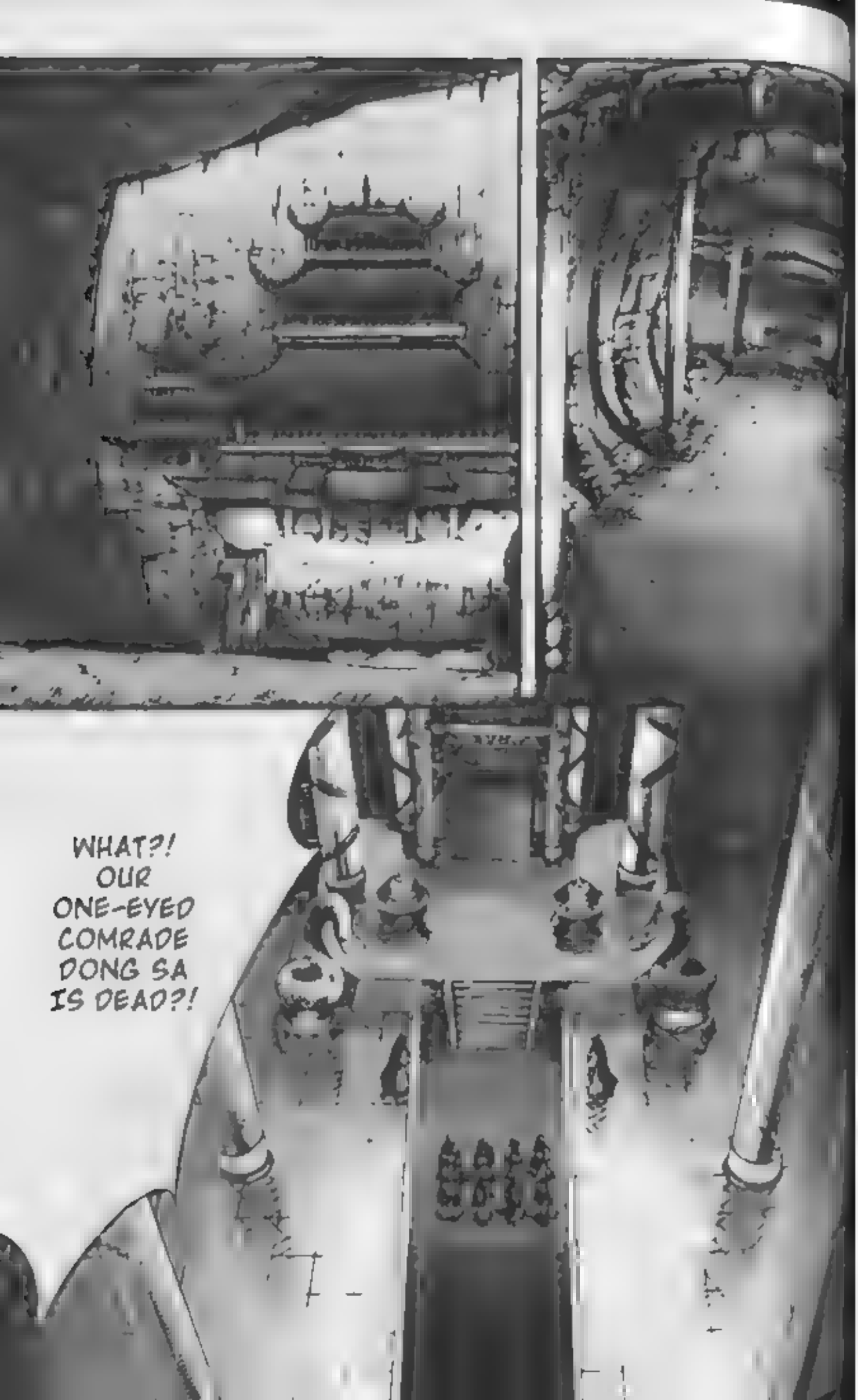
WHAT IS A "WHITE" AND WHAT IS A "BLACK"?

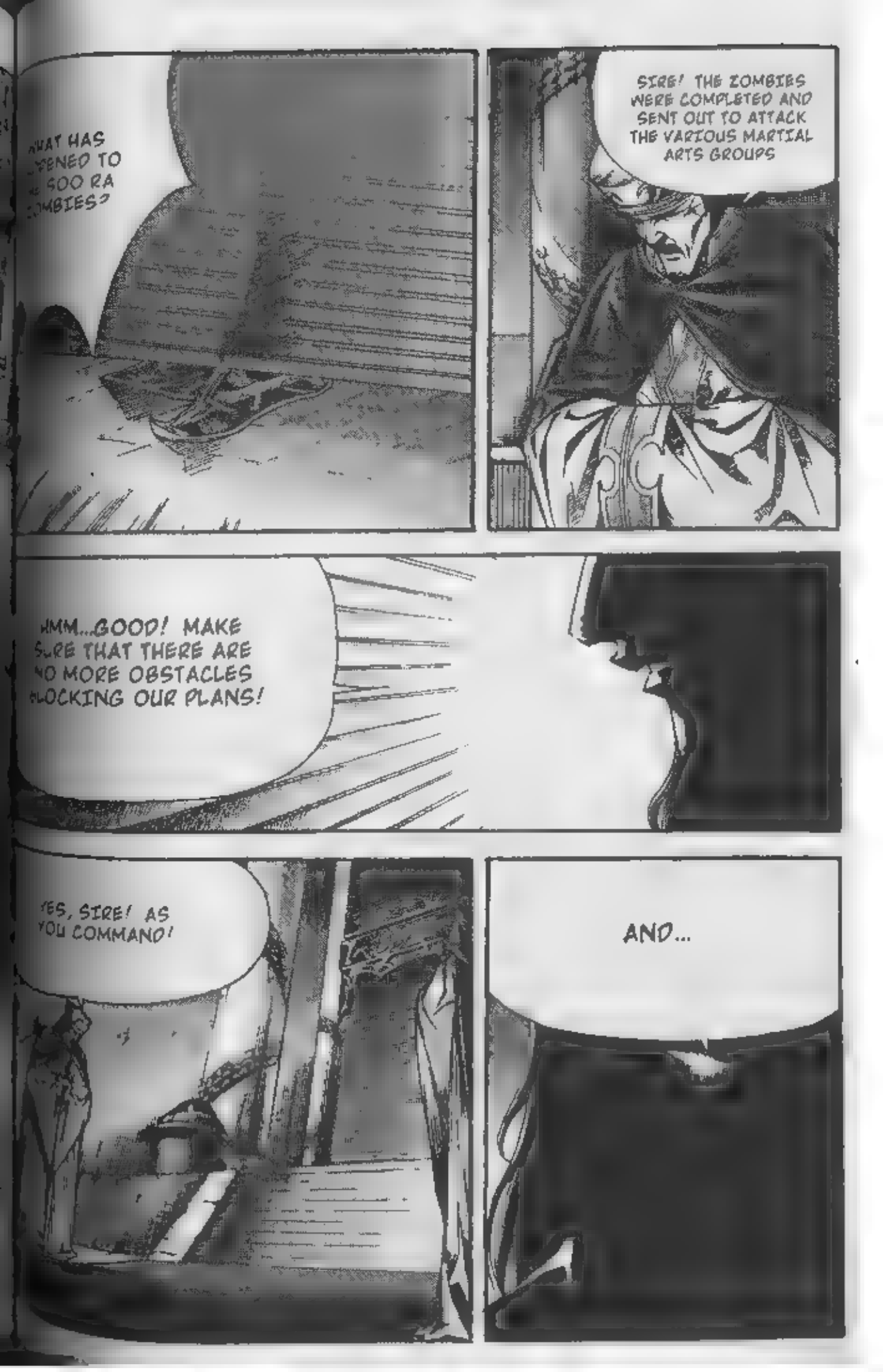

WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT THESE SO-CALLED LEADERS WOULD BE SO NARROW-MINDED!
THIS IS INSANE!
OW CAN
BELIEVE
S MAJEH'S
OS WHEN
OU DON'T
EN KNOW
ETHER HE
S FROM A
ITE OR A
ACK SECT?!

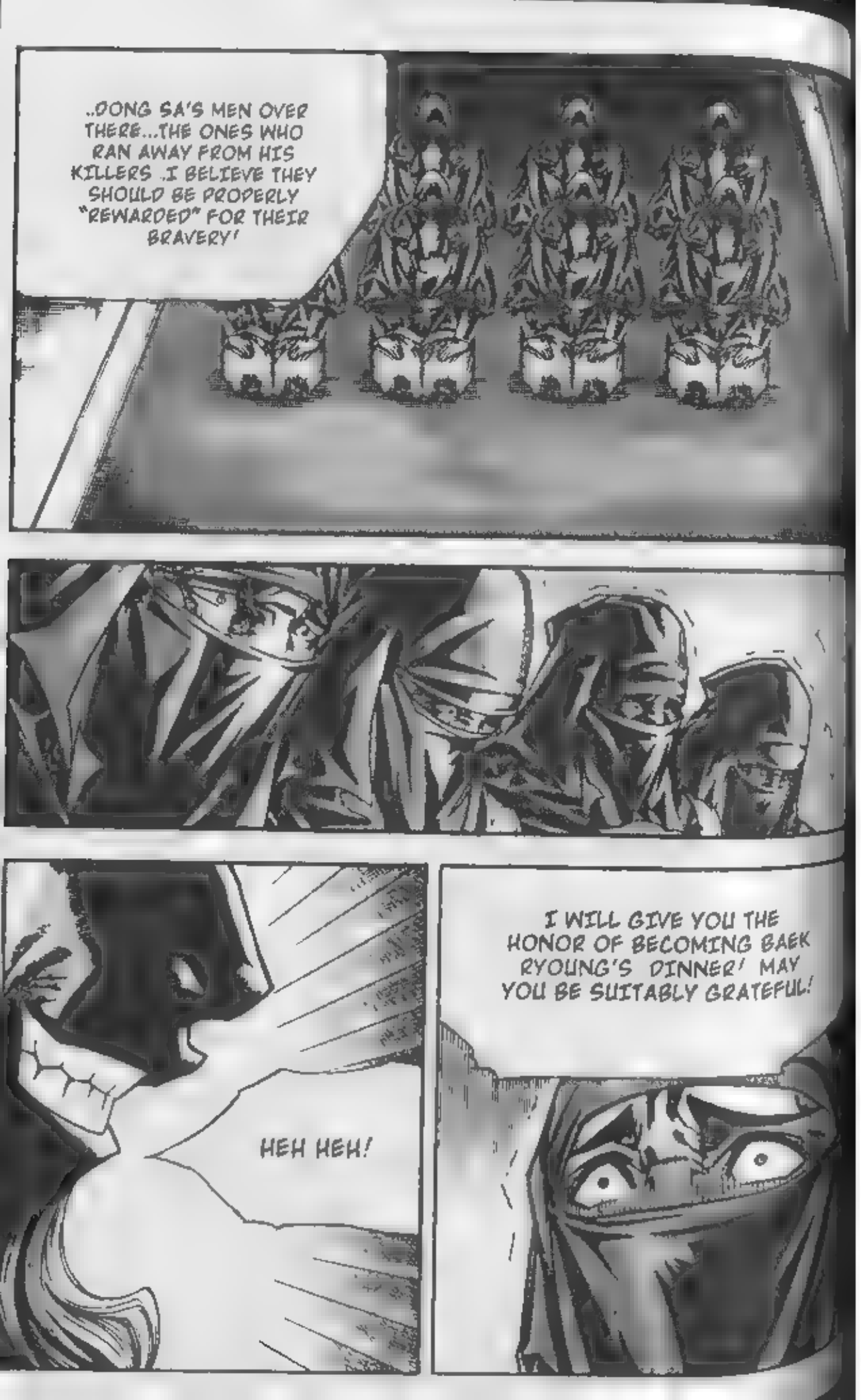
I AGREE. SINCE WHEN DID THE MARTIAL ARTS LEADER BEGIN TO LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF A MAN WHOSE IDENTITY IS UNKNOWN?
...
EVERYONE, CALM DOWN MARTIAL ARTS LEADER! I BELIEVE WE NEED TO INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER A LITTLE FURTHER.
I AGREE. I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THE RECENT OCCURRENCES ARE THE WORK OF THE SA GOK!


TO THINK THAT A GROUP THAT WAS COMPLETELY ANNIHILATED YEARS AGO COULD BE THE CULPRIT.
IF TRUTH BE KNOWN... IT DOES SOUND PREPOSTEROUS.
...HMM...
I BELIEVE THE RECENT DISCOVERY OF A TOMB AT DEVIL MOUNTAIN IS MORE DESERVING OF OUR URGENT ATTENTION!

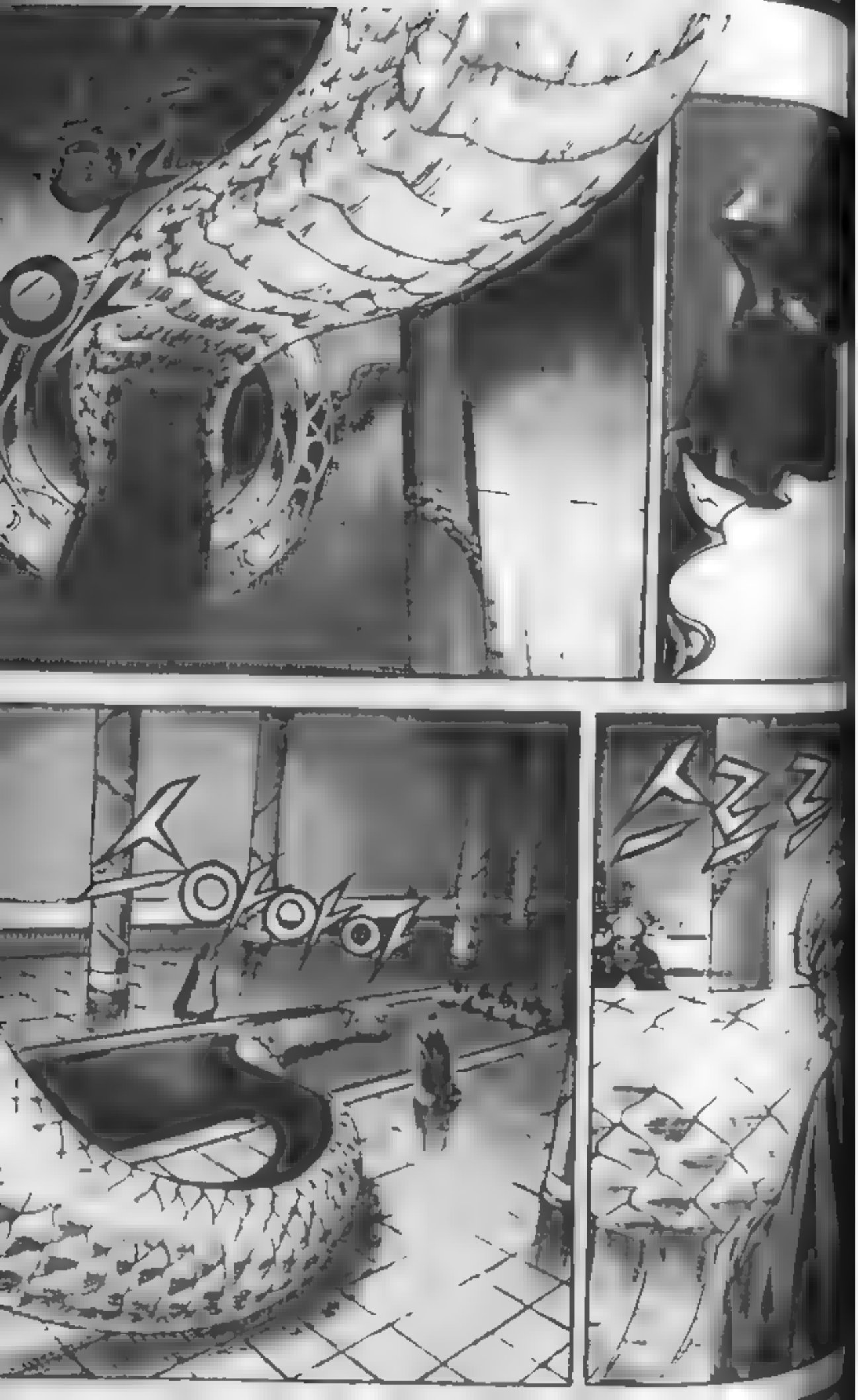

THEN IT'S BEEN AGREED THAT EA
OF THE SCHOOLS WILL SEND A
DELEGATION TO DEVIL MOUNTA
TO INVESTIGATE THE MATTER. T
MEETING IS CLOSED!
HMM...
MORE TRUTHFULLY, YOU'RE ALL COVETING THE TREASURE IN THE TOMB...AND JUST TRYING TO HIDE YOUR GREED UNDER THE VENEER OF BEING OF THE WHITE WAY.


WHAT?! OUR ONE-EYED COMRADE DONG SA IS DEAD?!


WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE SOO RA ZOMBIES?
SIRE! THE ZOMBIES WERE COMPLETED AND SENT OUT TO ATTACK THE VARIOUS MARTIAL ARTS GROUPS
HMM...GOOD! MAKE SURE THAT THERE ARE NO MORE OBSTACLES BLOCKING OUR PLANS!
YES, SIRE! AS YOU COMMAND!
AND...


..DONG SA'S MEN OVER THERE...THE ONES WHO RAN AWAY FROM HIS KILLERS .I BELIEVE THEY SHOULD BE PROPERLY "REWARDED" FOR THEIR BRAVERY!
HEH HEH!
I WILL GIVE YOU THE HONOR OF BECOMING BAEK RYOUNG'S DINNER! MAY YOU BE SUITABLY GRATEFUL!

COME!
HSSSS


KOKOKOK
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WE HAVE LAID OUT A FEAST BEFORE YOU, BAEK RYOUNG! ENJOY!

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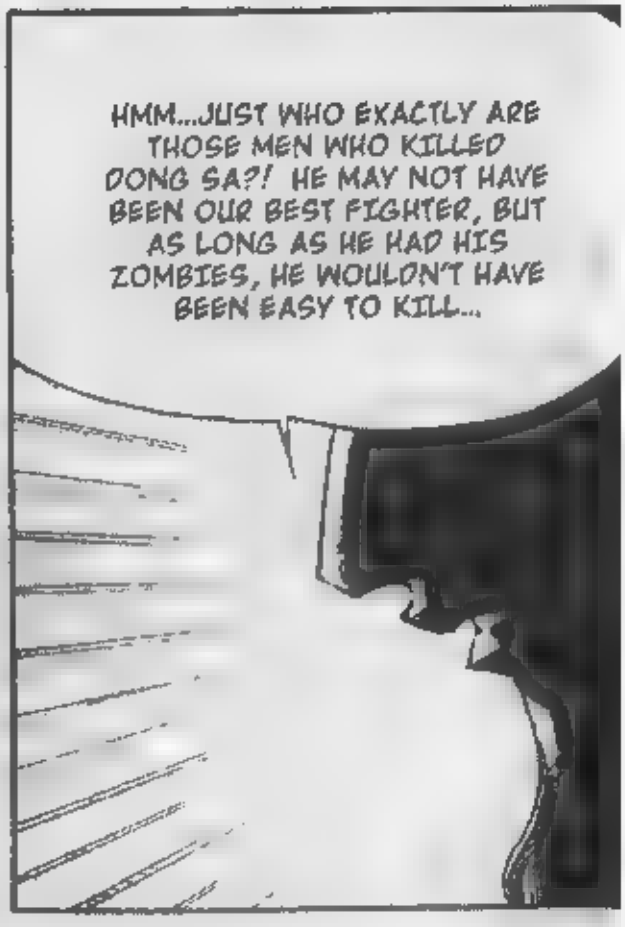
YAAAAAAH!


HMM...JUST WHO EXACTLY ARE THOSE MEN WHO KILLED DONG SA?! HE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN OUR BEST FIGHTER, BUT AS LONG AS HE HAD HIS ZOMBIES, HE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN EASY TO KILL...

COULD HIS KILLER HAVE BEEN MARTIAL ARTS LEADER MO YOUNG HIMSELF?
BAEK RYOUNG! DID YOU ENJOY YOUR MEAL?!

'S POG IS
DENSE AS
AMHUK'S
BRAIN!
MAJEH!

BACK THERE, YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT A DOORWAY WHAT DID YOU MEAN?
HOO HOO! WELL, NOW...
. EVEN IF I TOLD YOU, YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME! IT'LL BE BETTER IF YOU OBSERVE IT WITH YOUR OWN EYES.
...!

KING
HELL

!

T'S WITH HEM?
JUST LIKE US, I BET THEY CAME LOOKING FOR DEVIL MOUNTAIN
BUT THEY APPEAR TO BE..
YES. THEY'VE ALL BEEN POSSESSED BY A DEMON!

ARE YOU SAYING THEY'VE LOST THEIR MINDS?
WHAT LITTLE THEY HAD.
LEAVE THEM TO ME!
IS THAT IT?
HMM..

IMPRESSIVE!

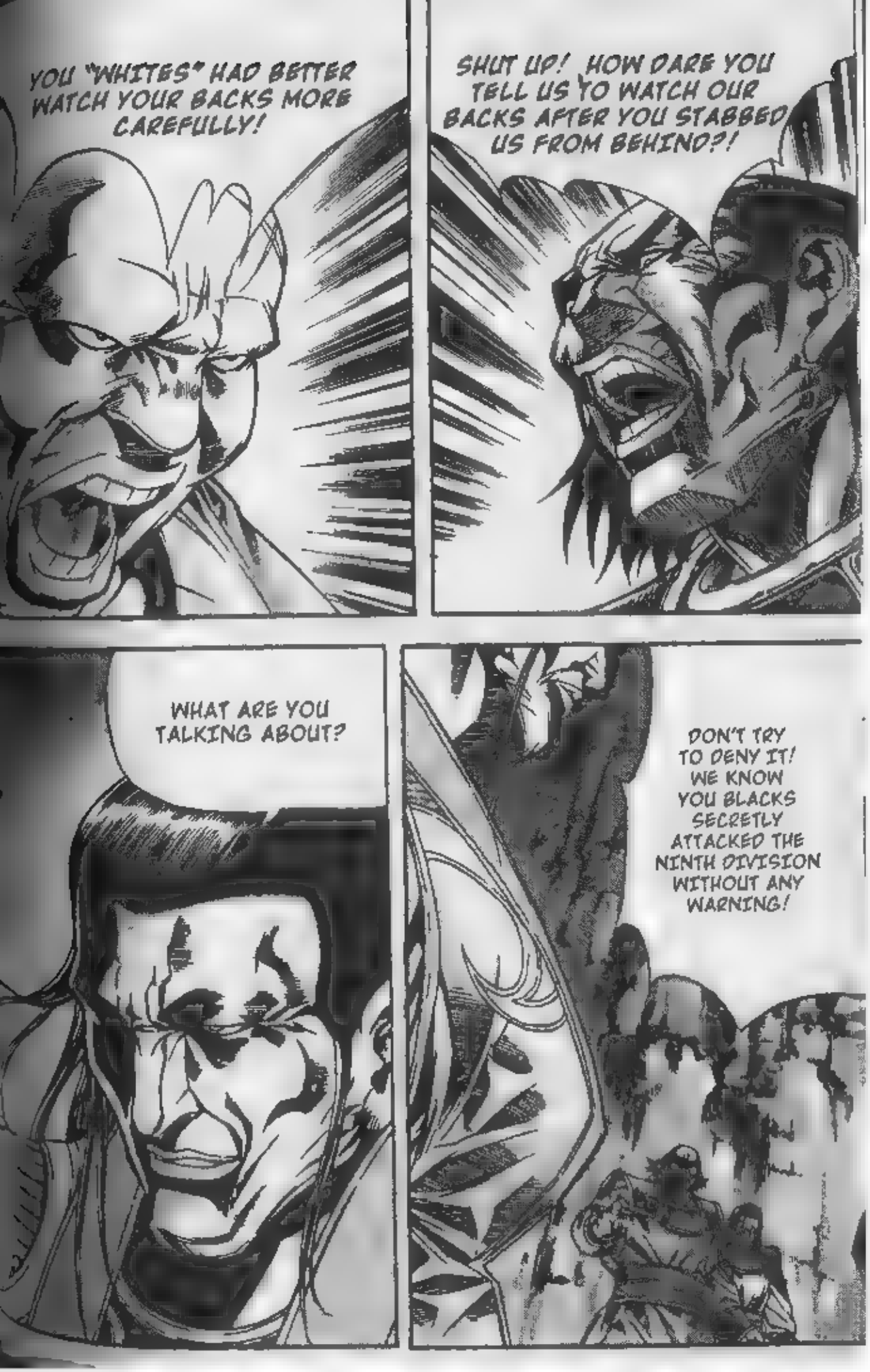
BUT...THERE SEEMS TO BE A COUPLE OF GNATS FLITTING AROUND THE DOOR!
HMM
YOU INSOLENT FOOL! WHO ARE YOU CALLING GNATS?!
HA HA HA!

WELL, WHAT HAVE WE HERE? IF IT ISN'T THE TWO APRICOTS!
CALL US BY OUR RIGHTFUL NAME, THE APRICOT BLOSSOM TWIN WARRIORS!
HUMPH SUCH IMPUDENCE!
APRICOT BLOSSOM TWIN WARRIORS! HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN?
HUMPH ALL I KNOW IS, OUR DAY IS COMPLETELY RUINED JUST BY SEEING THE IMPRINTS LEFT IN THE DUST BY YOUR SHAMAN FEET!

HA HA HA! I SEE YOU'RE STILL UPSET WITH US!
FOOLS!

...WHITES PLAY SUCH CHILDISH GAMES!
WHO?
YOU'RE A BRAVE MAN, PONYTAIL, TO COME HERE ALL ALONE
WHO SAID I WAS ALONE?

HUMPH! I SEE THAT THE FOUR MONSTERS OF THE HWK SOO RYUN HAVE ESCAPED FROM THEIR CAGE!


YOU "WHITES" HAD BETTER WATCH YOUR BACKS MORE CAREFULLY!
SHUT UP! HOW DARE YOU TELL US TO WATCH OUR BACKS AFTER YOU STABBED US FROM BEHIND?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
DON'T TRY TO DENY IT! WE KNOW YOU BLACKS SECRETLY ATTACKED THE NINTH DIVISION WITHOUT ANY WARNING!

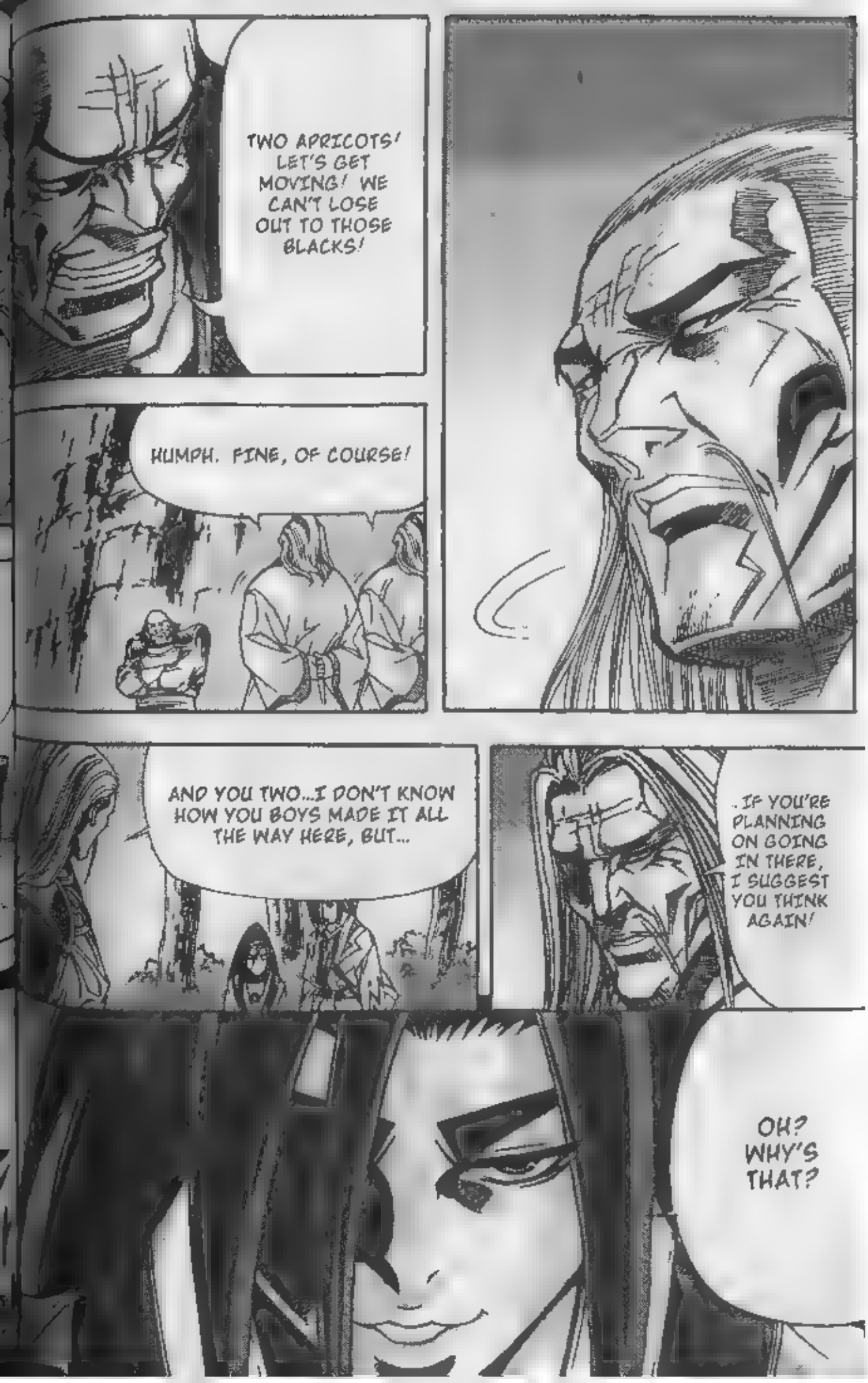
YOU'RE A LIAR! YOU'RE THE ONES WHO ATTACKED US!
THERE'S BEEN FAR TOO MUCH TALK. LET'S SETTLE THIS WITH ACTION!
MY SENTIMENTS EXACTLY!
...
FINE. KILL EACH OTHER

FINALLY WE'RE OUT OF THE FOG.
ABOUT TIME.
I AGREED TO LET YOU TAKE CARE OF THOSE POSSESSED MEN, YOUNG BUT WHO KNEW IT WOULD TAKE YOU SO LONG?!
DAMMIT.

SORRY! NEXT TIME, I'LL SHOW NO MERCY AND GO STRAIGHT FOR THE KILL!
SHEESH YOU'RE ALWAYS SO DRAMATIC.
EH?
...
HMM..
...

'ILL UP A ROCK AND
AVE A SEAT, YOUNG.
THERE'S A FIGHT BREWING AND WE MIGHT AS WELL SIT DOWN AND ENJOY IT!
YO, OLD MEN! AS LONG AS YOU'RE GONNA FIGHT, BE SURE TO GIVE US A GOOD SHOW!
HUMPH SUCH IMPUDENCE!
YOU BETTER WATCH YOURSELF, SONNY!

WHATEVER
WE CAME HERE ON A MISSION, SO THERE'S NO NEED FOR US TO WASTE OUR ENERGY ON POINTLESS FIGHTING
ESPECIALLY WITH SO MANY RATS WAITING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO JUMP IN AHEAD OF US!
GUN GON! TWO APRICOTS! HE'S RIGHT WE SHOULD BE IN THERE, NOT OUT HERE
OUR SENTIMENTS, EXACTLY!
YOU "WHITES" ARE ALWAYS WASTING TIME BY TALKING INSTEAD OF DOING!


TWO APRICOTS! LET'S GET MOVING! WE CAN'T LOSE OUT TO THOSE BLACKS!
HUMPH. FINE, OF COURSE!
AND YOU TWO...I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU BOYS MADE IT ALL THE WAY HERE, BUT...
..IF YOU'RE PLANNING ON GOING IN THERE, I SUGGEST YOU THINK AGAIN!
OH? WHY'S THAT?

NOT ONLY ARE THERE MANY OUTSTANDING BLACK MARTIAL ARTISTS ALREADY INSIDE, BUT YOU'LL ALSO FIND OTHER DANGEROUS MEN AS WELL. ALL BLINDED BY GREED!
THAT MAKES THIS PLACE FAR TOO DANGEROUS FOR THE LIKES OF YOU!
SO GO BACK! DON'T GO BEYOND THIS POINT!
AND DON'T TRY TO FOLLOW US!
HA HA! WHAT A LOSER!

KING OF
HELL

WHEN THE CAT'S AWAY, THE MICE COME OUT TO PLAY. NOW THAT THOSE FORTUNE HUNTERS ARE GONE, LOOK AT THIS FRESH BATCH CRAWLING OUT OF THEIR HIDING PLACE!

HMM
I
..LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO SEE QUITE A BRAWL, AFTER ALL
LISTEN WELL!

I AM OH KWAN CHUNG FROM THE SCHOOL OF CHUR KUM MOO JUNG!
ALREADY, THERE ARE NUMEROUS MASTER FIGHTERS INSIDE THAT TOMB!
YOUR LIVES ARE MORE PRECIOUS THAN THE ALLURE OF A PHANTOM TREASURE! THEREFORE, I SUGGEST YOU ALL RETURN HOME!
DON'T LOSE YOUR HEADS OVER MERE TRINKETS.

HIS WORDS ARE NOTHING MORE THAN VEILED THREATS!
EXACTLY
IN SHORT, HE'S TELLING THEM THAT IF THEY ARE WEAKER THAN HIM, THEY'D BETTER BACK DOWN
YOU CONCEITED FOOL!
GAAHK!
HEH HEH HEH HEH!

IT'S...IT'S A HWA YUM MA!
OOAAAA!
AAAAGGH!

HEH HEH! THAT'S THE PUNISHMENT FOR NOT KNOWING YOUR PLACE!
TSK TSK HOW UNFORTUNATE!
I WAS SO LOOKING FORWARD TO A GOOD SHOW .BUT I GUESS WE'LL JUST HAVE TO GO INSIDE THE TOMB NOW!

IF WE ATTEMPT TO GO INSIDE NOW, DON'T YOU THINK WE MIGHT MEET THE SAME FATE AS THAT OH KWAN FELLOW?
HA! I DON'T CARE!
STOP!

DO YOU WISH TO DIE?
. . .
NOT HAROLY!

FROM THIS MOMENT ON, ANYONE WHO ATTEMPTS TO ENTER THIS TOMB WILL FORFEIT HIS LIFE!
YOU TWO WON'T BE TREATED ANY DIFFERENTLY, JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE YOUNG!

...
?
YOU!
STOP!

KK...AHK...
A...A BLACK HAND!
COULD IT BE..?
!
!
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...
CHUNG MYUN HAK SOO...

IT IS... IT'S A CHUNG MYUN HHK SOO!
IT'S A CHUNG MYUN HHK SOO DEMON HUNTER!!
MAY I ENTER NOW?!
K.. KHK...

HEY, MISTER. WE'LL GO WITH YOU!
...
HA!
DA DAMMIT...WHY. WHY DID IT HAVE TO BE A CHUNG MYUN HHK SOO OF ALL THINGS?

YO!
WE'RE GONNA GO INSIDE, TOO!
HOW DARE YOU?! DIDN'T YOU HEAR WHAT I SAID?!
!

IF YOU...WOULDN'T MIND MOVING ASIDE...SO WE CAN GO THROUGH?
WHA-WHAT?! YOU LITTLE TWERP!
UMM... IF... IF YOU DON'T... IT'S GOING TO GET A LITTLE...UGLY.

KING
HELL

HEH! AT LEAST IT'S SHORT AND SWEET!
AND THERE MUST BE SOMETHING INCREDIBLE INSIDE FOR SO MANY MEN TO IGNORE SUCH A WARNING!
KING OF THE PA CHUN SWORD!
HUH?
THIS TOMB . IT'S WHERE THE KING OF THE PA CHUN SWORD WAS LAID TO REST

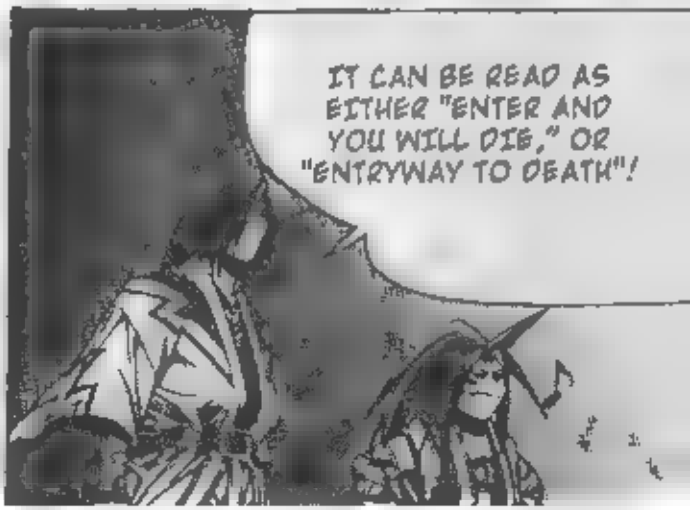
THAT'S RIGHT 300 YEARS AGO, WITH ONLY HIS SWORD-FIGHTING ABILITIES, HE WAS ABLE TO SHAKE THE ENTIRE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD!
KING...OF THE PA CHUN SWORD?
THIS MUST BE HIS TOMB. THAT HAS TO BE THE REASON SO MANY ARE FIGHTING TO GET INSIDE
HMM

...

TELL ME, MISTER--JUST WHAT'S INSIDE HERE THAT SO MANY PEOPLE WANT TO LAY THEIR HANDS ON IT?

...
...

THAT'S QUITE A HEART-STOPPING SIGN UP THERE

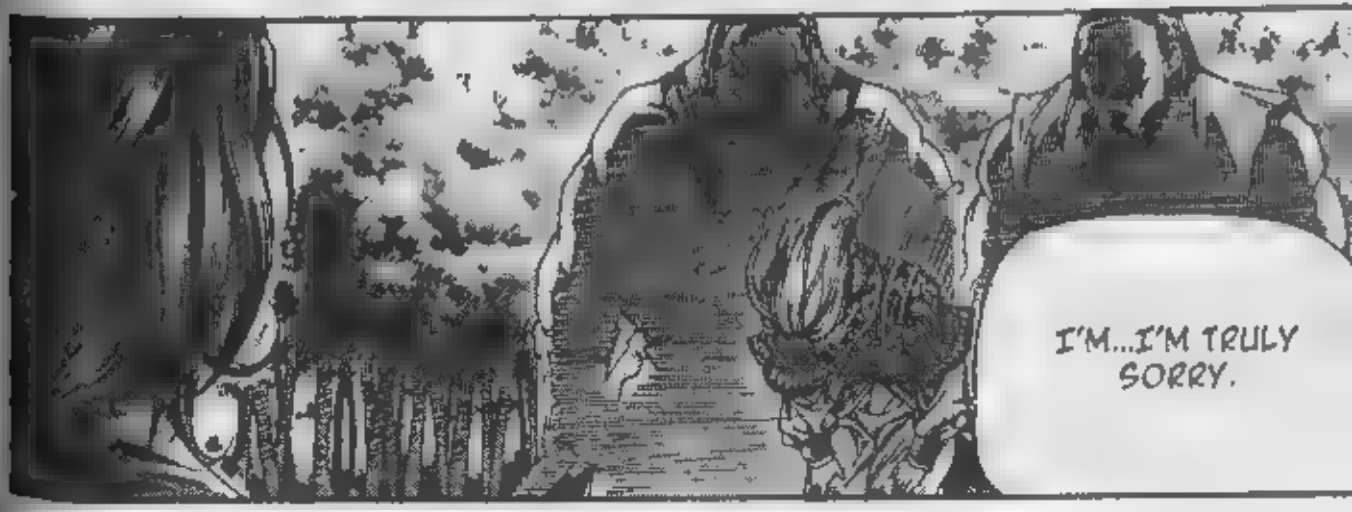

IT CAN BE READ AS EITHER "ENTER AND YOU WILL DIE," OR "ENTRYWAY TO DEATH"!

BUT...IT SEEMS STRANGE THAT A MERE SIGN IS ALL THAT GUARDS THE TOMB.
I DON'T KNOW... MAYBE WHOEVER WROTE IT THOUGHT THE THREAT OF DEATH WAS DETERRENT ENOUGH!
HEY!
WAIT FOR US, MISTER!
OF COURSE, WHAT'S REALLY STRANGE...

...IS THAT THE KING'S TOMB CAN'T BE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS. I KNOW, BECAUSE I KNOW EXACTLY WHERE IT IS!

SO THIS IS DEFINITELY GOING TO BE FUN!

OH, NO! WHAT HAVE I DONE? I'M..I'M SORRY.


I'M...I'M TRULY SORRY.

...

GOLD AND SILVER, LET'S GO INSIDE
YES, YOUNG MASTER

HEY, MISTER! ARE YOU HERE FOR THE TOMB'S TREASURE, TOO?
I HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE TOMB OR TREASURE!
EH? THEN WHY
BY THE WAY... YOU TWO BOYS...
THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.

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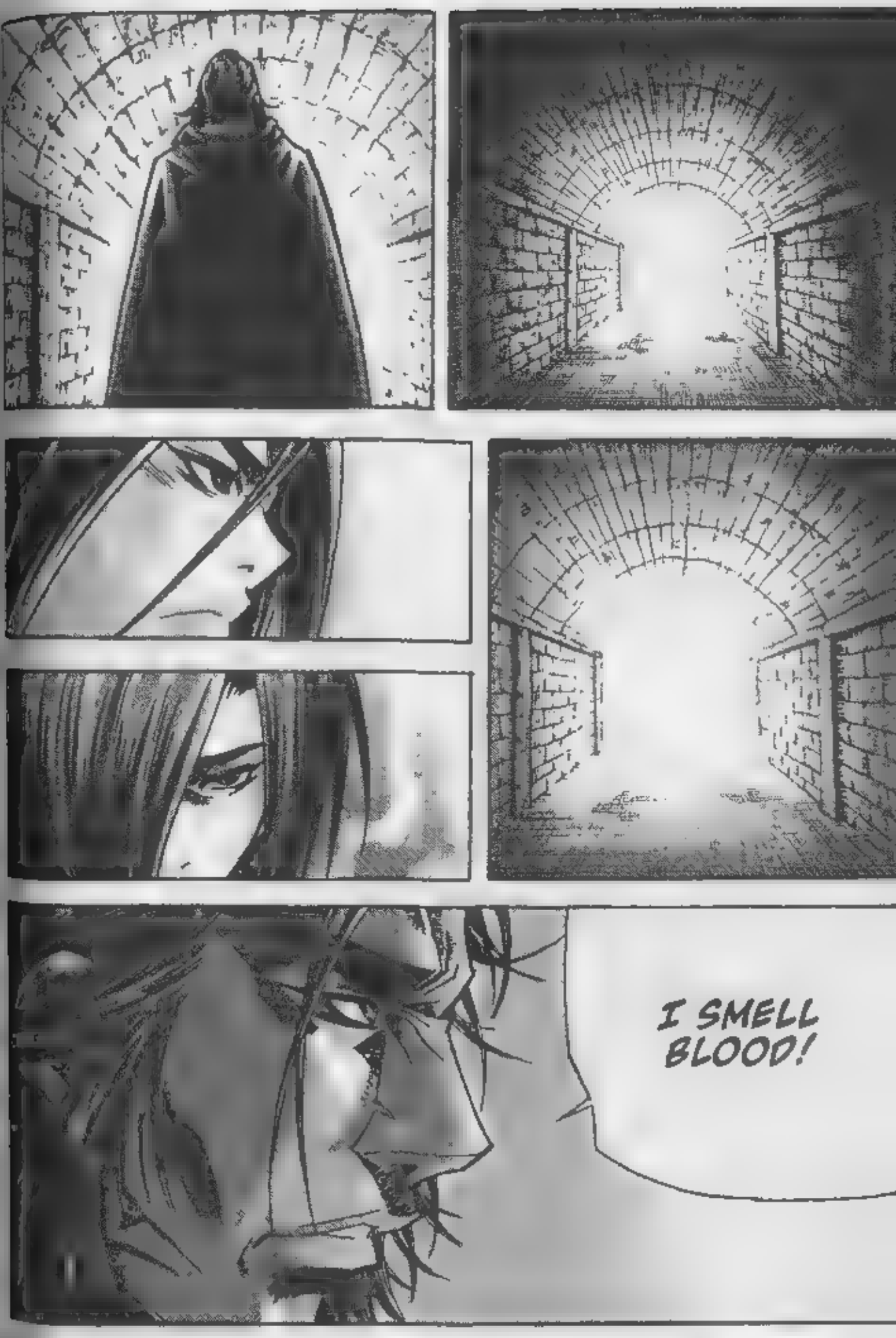
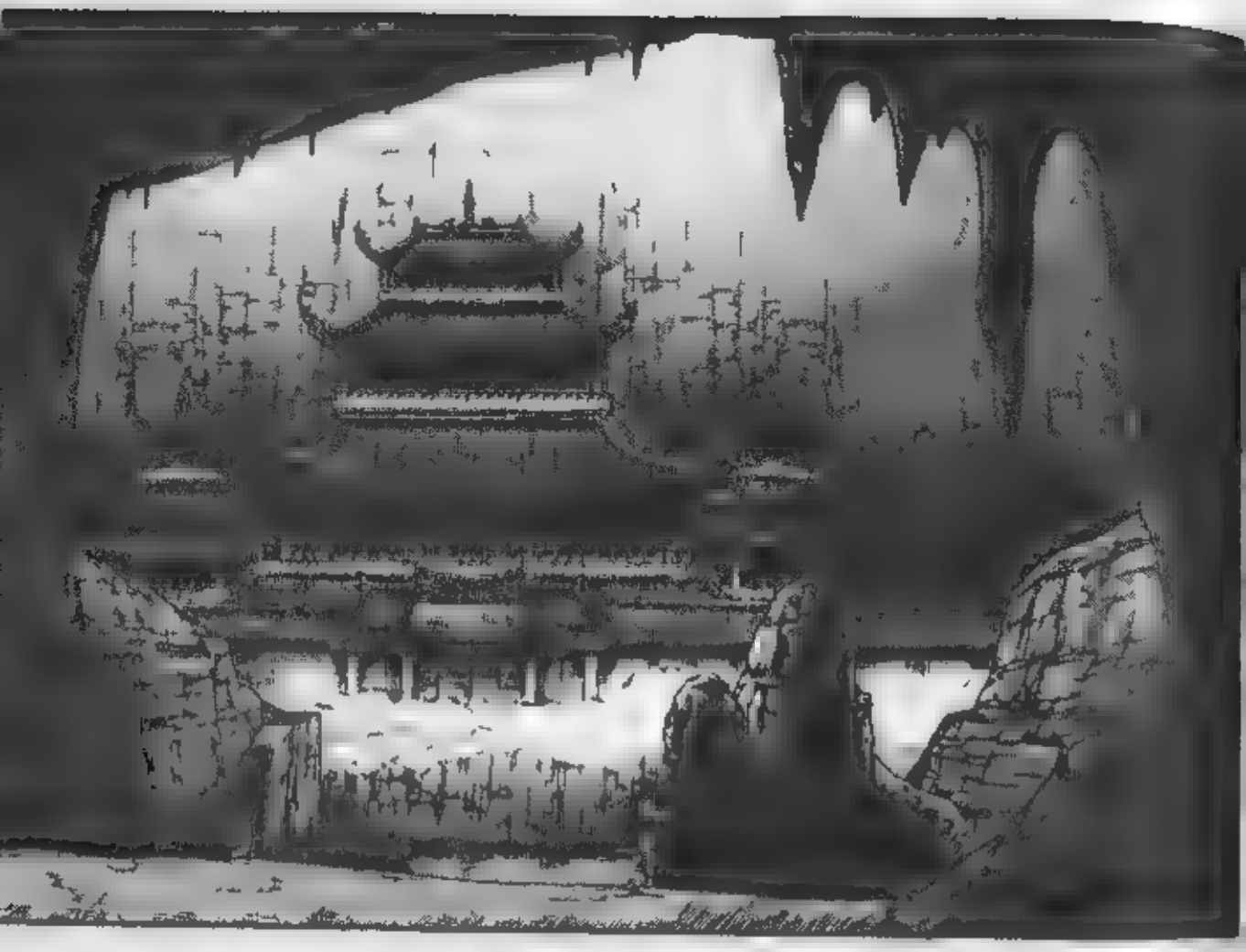
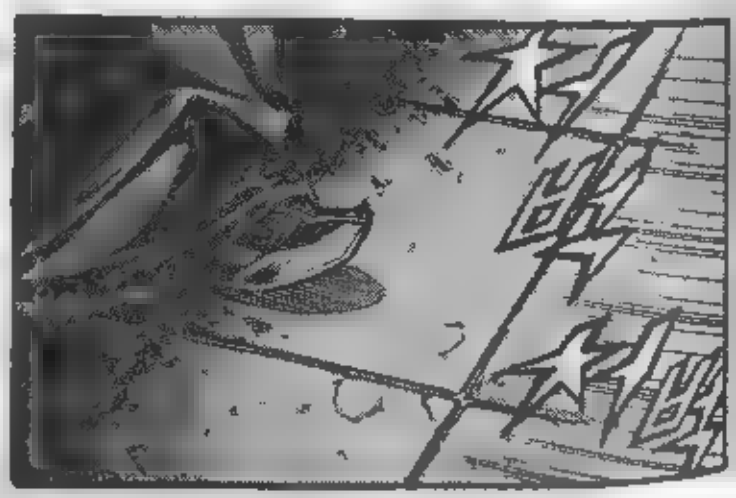
STOP...CALLING...ME... "MISTER"! I'M ONLY IN MY TWENTIES! JEEZ!
APPARENTLY HE'S SENSITIVE ABOUT HIS AGE
!!!!
YA THINK?
BY THE WAY, LITTLE ASSASSIN, THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE I'M CURIOUS ABOUT.
YOU'VE BEEN WITH ME FOR QUITE SOME TIME, NOW. SINCE BEFORE THIS TOMB'S DISCOVERY...

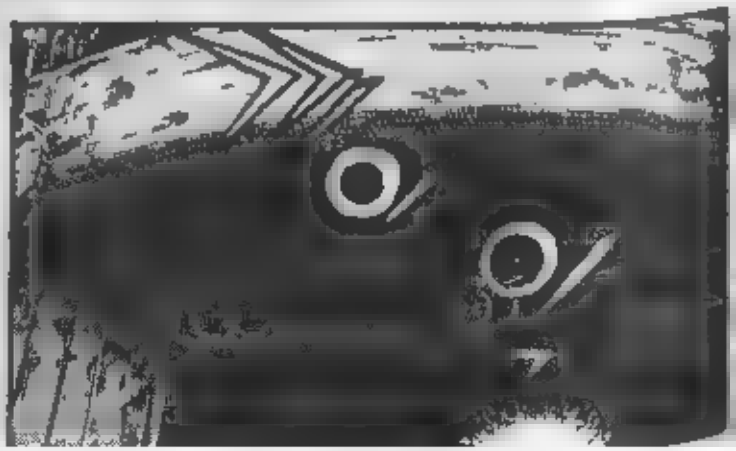
...
SO HOW IS IT YOU KNEW THAT IT BELONGED TO THE KING OF THE DA CHUN SWORD?
THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO BE SUSPICIOUS, MAJEH
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO MEMBERS OF THE ASSASSIN SECT?!
IT'S... INFORMATION!

REGARDLESS OF WHERE I AM, HEADQUARTERS SENDS ME NEWS CONCERNING EVERYTHING
BEFORE WE LEFT TOWN, I RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PLACE!
I SEE!
HALT!


I SMELL BLOOD!







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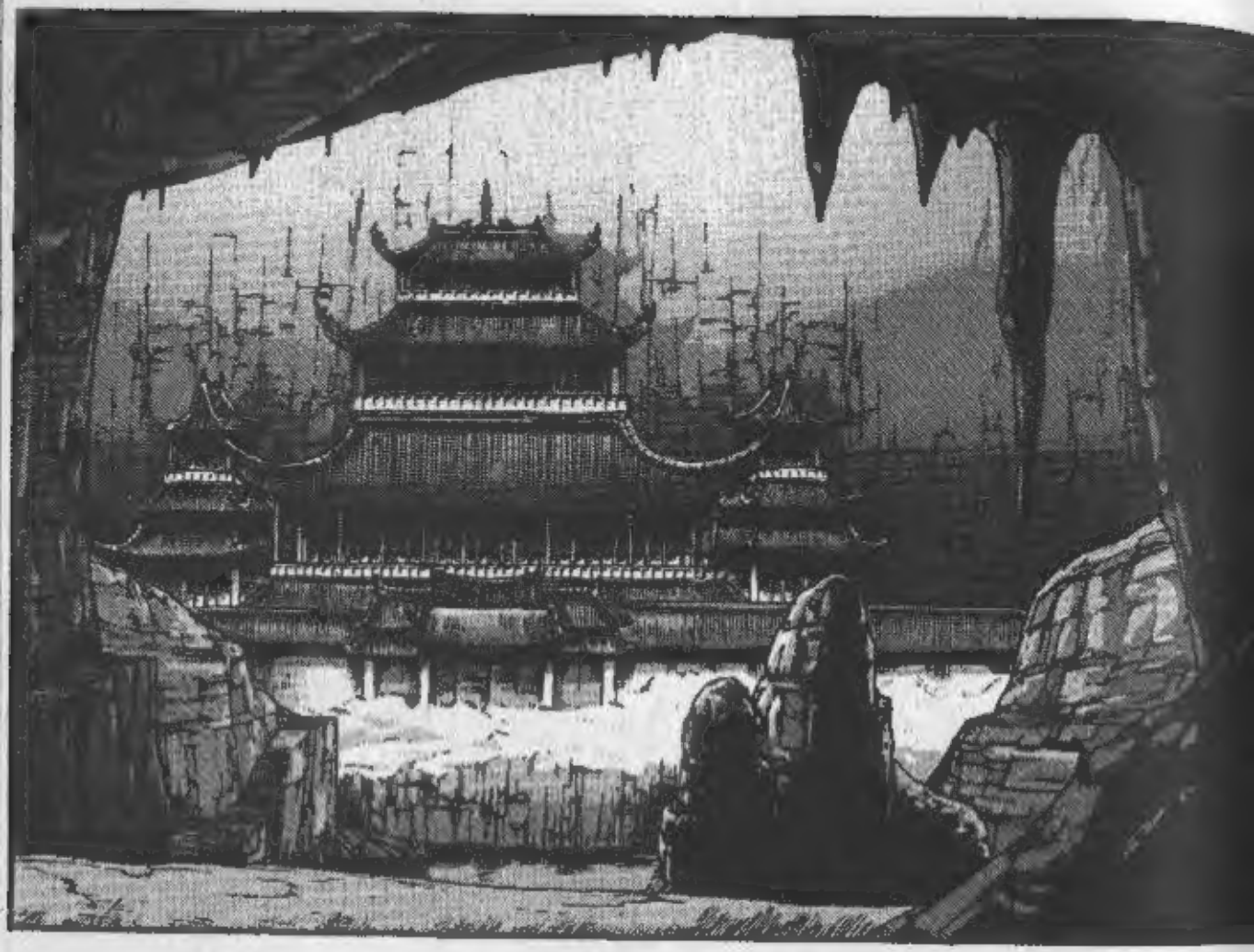

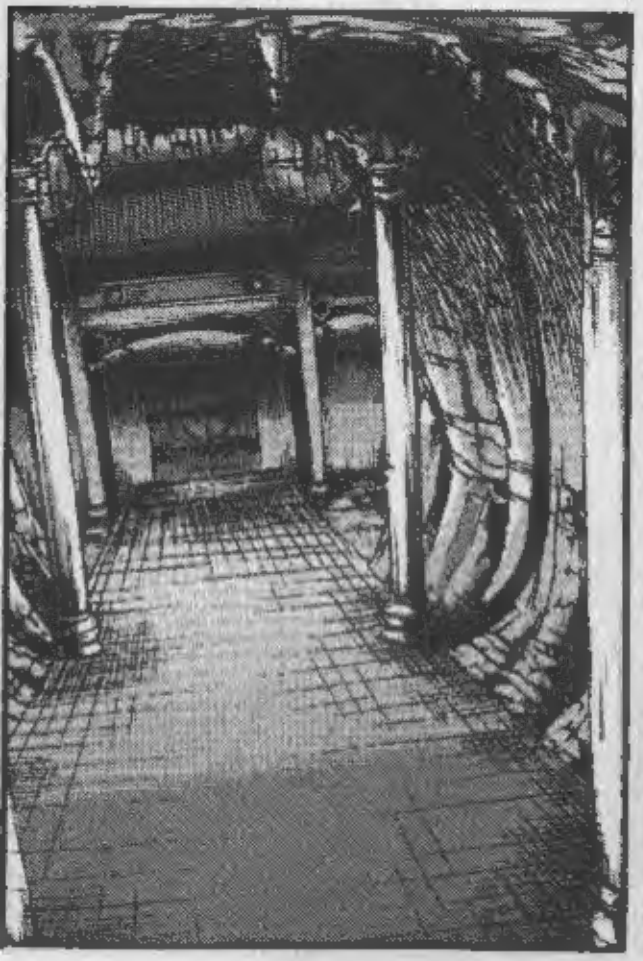

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THANKS TO THE STORIES OF TREASURE WE SPREAD AMONG THE PEOPLE, MANY HAVE ENTERED THE TOMB.
AND WE FORESEE MANY MORE ARE LIKELY TO SWARM THERE!
HEH HEH HEH! THE FOOLS!
NONE OF THEM WILL ESCAPE ALIVE!

# IN THE NEXT VOLUME OF

# KING OF HELL

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